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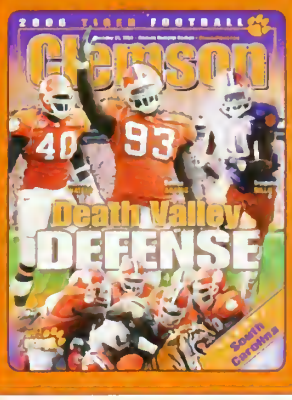
Three senior leaders of Clemson's "Death Valley Defense." **Anthony Waters** (LB) was injured in the first game and was lost for the season, while **Tramaine Billie** (LB) was injured in preseason and was also out for the year. **Gaines Adams** (DE) is one of the top "sack artists" in Clemson history.



Today's Game

Clemson vs. South Carolina

104th Meeting Between Tigers & Gamecocks

- This will be the 104th meeting between Clemson and South Carolina on the gridiron. The series dates to 1896, the first year of football at Clemson and the fourth season for South Carolina. Clemson holds the advantage 63-36-4 since that first meeting in Columbia. Clemson has more wins over South Carolina than any other school, and those victories represent over 10 percent of Clemson's all-time victory total (616). The last time the two teams met at Clemson (2004), the Tigers won 29-7. It was the 600th victory in Clemson history.
- Clemson has won four in a row, eight of nine, and 14 of the last 18 in the series. Since 1988, Clemson is 8-1 in games played in Columbia and 6-3 in games played in Tigertown.
- This year's senior class will attempt to join the seniors of 2005 as a class with a perfect 4-0 record against South Carolina. Other Clemson classes who have beaten South Carolina four consecutive years were the seniors of 1900, 1919, 1930, 1937, 1938, 1939, 1940, 1983, 1991, and 2000.
- Clemson will be going for its fifth consecutive win over South Carolina. The Tigers have not had much success in this situation. Clemson has a 1-6 record in the series when it is going for its fifth consecutive win in the series. The only victory took place in 1938 when Clemson won 34-12 to record its fifth straight win. Clemson suffered losses in 1902, 1920, 1931, 1984, 1992, and 2001 when going for its fifth straight. Clemson's longest winning streak in the series was a seven-game streak between 1934-40.
- Clemson has two weeks to prepare for South Carolina. Clemson has a 7-1 record against the Gamecocks when it has two full weeks to prepare, including a 16-14 win in 2000, the last time that was the situation. The only year South Carolina has beaten Clemson when the Tigers have had two weeks to prepare was 1896, the first meeting.
- This weekend's game will be played on the Saturday after Thanksgiving for the first time since 1984. South Carolina won that game at Clemson 22-21. The 1978 game was also played the Saturday after Thanksgiving, a 41-23 Tiger win. Clemson has a 7-2 record against South Carolina when the game is played the Saturday after Thanksgiving or on Thanksgiving Day. The only game played on Thanksgiving Day was the 1963 contest that was moved from the Saturday before Thanksgiving to Thanksgiving Day due to the death of President John F. Kennedy.
- Clemson won the 100th meeting at Clemson by a 27-20 score in 2002. Then the Tigers won 63-17 in Columbia in 2003. The point total was Clemson's highest ever against the Gamecocks, and it was the largest victory margin in the series for Clemson since a 51-0 victory in 1900.
- The Gamecocks last won in 2001 in Columbia by a 20-15 score. That South Carolina victory ended a four-game winning streak for the Tigers. South Carolina has not beaten Clemson in consecutive years since the 1968-70 era.
- Tommy Bowden is 6-1 against South Carolina in his previous seven games in this rivalry. All six of the wins have come against Lou Holtz and Steve Spurrier, coaches who have won the national title and will be in the College Football Hall of Fame one day. The 6-1 start is the best among Clemson coaches who have coached the Tigers for at least five years. Josh Cody (1927-30) had a perfect 4-0 record against South Carolina, the only Clemson coach with a perfect record in the rivalry game.
- Bowden has a better record against South Carolina than all three of Clemson's three former coaches in the College Football Hall of Fame and Danny Ford, who won a national title at Clemson. John Heisman was 1-1 against the Gamecocks, Jess Neely was 6-3, and Frank Howard was 13-15-2. Ford was 7-3-1 from 1979-89. Obviously, a win for the Tigers would give Bowden the same amount of wins over South Carolina as Ford had.
- The Clemson-South Carolina series is in a tie for 13th in college football history in terms of most-played rivalries. The most-played rivalry is the Minnesota-Wisconsin series, which had been played 115 times entering this year. This will be the 98th straight year that Clemson and South Carolina have met on the gridiron, or every year since 1909. It has moved into third place all-time for the longest uninterrupted series in college football history. The only active rivalries that are longer are the Kansas-Nebraska series (active since 1906) and the Minnesota-Wisconsin series (active since 1907).

The Clemson-South Carolina rivalry is the third-longest uninterrupted series in college football history, as the two Palmetto State teams have met every year since 1909. Today's meeting is the first between the Tigers and Gamecocks after Thanksgiving since 1984.

Longest Uninterrupted Series

Games	Matchup	Series
100	Kansas vs. Nebraska	1906-05
99	Minnesota vs. Wisconsin	1907-05
97	**Clemson vs. South Carolina**	**1909-05**
96	Kansas vs. Oklahoma	1903-97
96	N.C. State Wake Forest	1910-05
95	Kansas vs. Kansas State	1911-05
94	North Carolina vs. Virginia	1910-05
91	Texas vs. Texas A&M	1915-05
90	Mississippi vs. Mississippi State	1915-05

Note: Entering the 2006 season.

Tigers Have Won Eight of Nine vs. Gamecocks

Clemson has won eight of the last nine games against South Carolina, the first time the Tigers have defeated the Gamecocks eight out of nine years. A look to the other major college rivalries reveals that no other school has won its rivalry game more than Clemson over the last nine years. Only Purdue and its eight wins in nine years over Indiana, and Kansas State and its eight wins over Kansas in the last nine years can match Clemson's 8-1 record since 1997 against the Gamecocks.

Below is a list of rivalry records over the last nine years in college football.

Most One-Sided Rivalry Games (1997-05)

Clemson 8, South Carolina 1
Purdue 8, Indiana 1
Kansas State 8, Kansas 1
Navy 7, Army 2
Southern California 7, UCLA 2
Michigan 7, Michigan State 2
Wisconsin 7, Minnesota 2
Texas 7, Texas A&M 2
Florida 7, Georgia 2

Throw Out the Record Books?

We always hear the phrase, "You can throw out the record books when these two teams get together." While there have been some upsets in this series, usually the team with the better record comes away with the victory. The team entering the game with the better overall record has a 17-4-1 record in the series since 1981. That computes to a 79.5 winning percentage over a 25-year period. Three times during that era both teams had the same record.

The norm has been broken each of the last two years, however. In 2004, South Carolina had the better record entering the game at 6-4 compared to Clemson's 5-5 record, but the Tigers won the game 29-7. Last year, South Carolina had the upper hand with a 7-3 mark compared to the 6-4 record for Clemson, but the Tigers won the game 13-9. This year, Clemson has the better record at 8-3, while South Carolina is 6-5.

The team with the better record entering this game won every year between 1997-03. In 1996, the team with the worse record won. Current Clemson Offensive Coordinator and Assistant Head Coach Brad Scott was the head coach for South Carolina in that game.

In the history of the series, Clemson has a 39-14-3 record (72.3 winning percentage) when it enters the contest with the better record. Clemson has had the better record in 56 of the 103 previous meetings. The teams have had the same winning percentage entering the game nine times, and Clemson has a 7-2 record in those situations.

Thus, Clemson is 46-16-3 (73.1 winning percentage) against South Carolina over the years when

the Tigers enter the game with at least the same record as South Carolina. Clemson has a 63-36-4 advantage in the series overall, so the Gamecocks have a 20-17-1 record in the series when they enter the game with the better record.

South Carolina Update

South Carolina enters today's game with a 6-5 record. The Gamecocks are bowl eligible for the second consecutive season under Head Coach Steve Spurrier. The Gamecocks have been within a touchdown of every SEC team they have played with the exception of an 18-0 loss to Georgia. The Gamecocks lost by a touchdown or less against Auburn, Tennessee, Arkansas, and Florida.

Two quarterbacks have contributed to the success of the Gamecock offense this year. Syvelle Newton is 27th in the nation in passing efficiency and has averaged 150 yards per game in total offense as a dual-threat quarterback. He might be the most versatile player in college football this year, helping the Gamecocks to victories as a wide receiver, quarterback, and safety. He had eight tackles as a safety at Florida the first time he played the position. Blake Mitchell was the quarterback early in the year and now late in the year. He has completed 68 percent of his passes.

Sidney Rice is the top receiver with an average of 5.1 receptions per game. He is regarded as one of the top wideouts in the nation, and he is in the top 35 in both receptions and reception yards per game. He had seven catches for 122 yards against the Tigers last year, but Clemson was successful in keeping him out of the endzone. Cory Boyd and Mike Davis are a solid one-two punch at running back for the Gamecocks, who average 134 yards per game on the ground this year.

South Carolina has some outstanding defensive players, including defensive back Fred Bennett, who could be a first-round draft pick in the NFL. Jasper Brinkley leads the team in tackles with 7.8 per game, and he also leads the team in tackles for loss. South Carolina and Clemson are both in the top 25 in the nation in scoring defense, so points may be at a premium.

Both teams have had kickers who struggled in the state of Florida, but other than the appearances in the Sunshine State, Clemson's Jad Dean and South Carolina's Ryan Succop have been outstanding. Both are in the top 26 in the nation in field goals per game. Dean has made 12 of his last 13 field goals, while Succop has been outstanding as a punter and a placekicker.

Steve Spurrier Returns to Death Valley

Steve Spurrier will make his first appearance in Death Valley as the head coach of the Gamecocks, but he has been to Clemson previously as the head coach at Duke. Spurrier was 1-2 against Clemson as the Duke head coach, with both losses coming in Memorial Stadium.

The Tigers won the 1987 game by a score of 17-10 in Spurrier's first year as Duke head coach. That was a close call for a Tiger team that was ranked #7 in the nation with a 5-0 record entering the game. That Clemson team ended the season with a 10-2 record and ranked #10 in the final **UPI** poll. The following year, Clemson won 49-17 over Duke. That was actually a battle of top-25 teams at Clemson.

C.J. Spiller is coming off a season-high 154 yards rushing against N.C. State. This season, he has 759 rushing yards and a freshman school-record 10 total touchdowns.

The Tigers were #11 and Duke was #22 entering that game. Clemson ended the year 10-2, while Duke was 7-3-1.

The following year, Duke defeated Clemson 21-17. Clemson entered the game ranked #7 in the nation. Duke was just 1-3, but it would run the table to the end of the regular season and tie Virginia for the ACC title. Clemson would end the year 10-2, and it actually was the highest-ranked ACC team in the final poll with a #12 **AP** ranking. That was Danny Ford's final year as Clemson head coach.

Tiger Offense Over 2,000 Yards in Both Areas

Clemson went over the 2,000-yard passing mark in its win over N.C. State on November 11. The Tigers enter the South Carolina game with 2,047 passing yards, good for 186 yards per game.

Clemson already had over 2,000 yards rushing entering the contest. Thus, this is just the third team in school history to record over 2,000 yards rushing and 2,000 yards passing in the same year. Clemson now has 2,521 rushing yards entering the South Carolina game.

The only other Clemson teams to go over 2,000 yards in both categories in the same year are the 2000 and 2001 squads. All three Clemson teams that have had at least 2,000 yards of each have been coached by Tommy Bowden.

Clemson's 2,000/2,000-Yard Teams

Year	Games	Rush	Pass	Total
2000	12	2688	2554	5242
2001	12	2300	2884	5184
2006	**11**	**2521**	**2047**	**4568**

C.J. Spiller Breaking James Davis' Records

James Davis established many freshman records in 2005 when he led the Tigers in rushing with 879 yards and nine touchdowns. He established Tiger freshman records for touchdowns, yards per carry, all-purpose yards, and 100-yard games.

A year later, those records have either been broken or tied by current freshman C.J. Spiller. Spiller is second in rushing on the Tigers' top-five rushing offense with 759 yards and eight rushing touchdowns. Spiller has already beaten Davis' record for touchdowns by a freshman with 10, has a freshman record 6.7 yards per rush, and a freshman record 1,171 all-purpose yards. His four 100-yard rushing games have tied Davis' production as a freshman as well.

Spiller is coming off a season-best 154 yards rushing on 18 carries in the win over N.C. State. That included a 52-yard touchdown run, his fifth touchdown of at least 50 yards this season. That is already a school record for 50-yard touchdowns in a season and is just two short of the career record for 50-yard touchdowns.

Top Single-Game Freshman Rushing Performances

Year	Player	Opponent	Car.	Yds
1952	Don King	Fordham	33	234
1987	Terry Allen	Virginia	27	183
1990	Ronald Williams	Appalachian State	14	183
2006	**C.J. Spiller**	**N.C. State**	**18**	**154**
2005	**James Davis**	**Colorado**	**28**	**150**
2005	**James Davis**	**South Carolina**	**27**	**145**
1945	Bobby Gage	Presbyterian	8	144
2005	**James Davis**	**N.C. State**	**12**	**143**

Gaines Adams Needs Two Sacks to Tie Record

Gaines Adams had a career-high 10 tackles and a key pass deflection that led to an interception in the 20-14 win over N.C. State two weeks ago, the last time the Tigers took to the gridiron. Adams did see his sack streak end at eight consecutive games. Adams has 26 career sacks entering his final home game and needs three sacks to break Michael Dean Perry's school record of 28. William Perry, a three-time Clemson All-American and Michael Dean's older brother, had 27. Michael Dean actually broke his brother's record in a game against South Carolina in 1987.

Adams was named one of five finalists for the Bronko Nagurski Award last Thursday. That honor is presented to the nation's top defensive player by the Football Writers of America. The other four finalists for that honor are Michigan's Leon Hall (CB), Ohio State's Jim Laurinaitis (LB), Florida's Reggie Nelson (DB), and Mississippi's Patrick Willis (LB).

Adams has 10.5 sacks so far this year, most in the ACC and ninth-most in the nation. The 10.5 sacks are tied for second-best in Clemson history for a single season behind the 16-sack season turned in by Keith Adams in 1999.

Gaines Adams is among the best players in college football from a pro-potential standpoint. He is rated as the fourth-best NFL prospect by **ESPN**'s Mel Kiper in his November 16 rankings.

Mel Kiper's "Big Board"

Rk	Player	Pos.	School
1.	Brady Quinn	QB	Notre Dame
2.	Joe Thomas	OT	Wisconsin
3.	Leon Hall	CB	Michigan
4.	**Gaines Adams**	**DE**	**Clemson**
5.	Quinn Pitcock	DT	Ohio State
6.	Jeff Samardzija	WR	Notre Dame
7.	LeRon Landry	DB	Louisiana State
8.	Levi Brown	OT	Penn State
9.	Buster Davis	LB	Florida State
10.	DeMarcus Tyler	DT	N.C. State

Note: As of November 16, 2006.

Statistical Matchup

Clemson vs. South Carolina

Clemson

Category	Clemson	Opp.
Total Offense	4568	2749
Plays	706	707
Yards/Play	6.5	3.9
Yards/Game	415.3	249.9
Rushing Yards/Game	229.2	93.8
Passing Yards/Game	186.1	156.1
Passing Efficiency	134.6	97.5
Punting Average	40.8	41.2
Punt Returns	26-203	15-77
Kickoff Returns	21-566	51-1229
First Downs	214	161
Penalties	47-391	64-485
Turnovers	22	24
Third-Down Conversion %	42.1	33.7
Time of Possession/Game	28:52	31:08
Points	377	151
Points/Game	34.3	13.7
Touchdowns	48	17
Field Goals	15-19	10-12
Interceptions By Defense	11-194	9-80
Sacks	31-195	8-54

#	Rushing	Car.	Yards	Avg.	TD	LG
1	J. Davis	184	1115	6.1	17	64
28	C. Spiller	114	759	6.7	8	72
39	D. Chancellor	45	276	6.1	1	27
37	R. Merriweather	26	147	5.7	2	26
	Clemson	**437**	**2521**	**5.8**	**29**	**72**
	Opponents	**388**	**1032**	**2.7**	**8**	**40**

#	Passing	Cm.	Att.	Yards	Int.	TD	Pct.
14	W. Proctor	147	246	1890	9	12	59.8
10	C. Harper	14	20	155	0	2	70.0
	Clemson	**162**	**269**	**2047**	**9**	**14**	**60.2**
	Opponents	**169**	**319**	**1717**	**11**	**6**	**53.0**

#	Receiving	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	TD	LG
2	C. Stuckey	41	560	13.7	3	60
80	A. Kelly	23	280	12.2	2	41
13	T. Grisham	19	208	10.9	2	22
28	C. Spiller	17	193	11.4	2	82
	Clemson	**162**	**2047**	**12.6**	**14**	**82**
	Opponents	**169**	**1717**	**10.2**	**6**	**57**

#	Tackles	Tac.	TFL	Sacks	Int.
32	N. Watkins	98	6-11	1-1	2-26
43	A. Clay	88	9.5-24	1.5-6	
22	C. Clemons	86	1-1		1-10
3	D. Coleman	70	2-2	1-1	1-6
42	M. Nelson	62	5-24	2-15	
93	G. Adams	51	14.5-91	10.5-73	
97	D. Scott	41	3-12	2-9	
25	M. Hamlin	39	4-9		2-90
94	P. Merling	36	9-51	3-19	

2006 Results & Schedule

Date	Opponent	W-L	Score
Sept. 2	**Florida Atlantic**	**W**	**54-6**
Sept. 9	* at Boston College	L	°33-34
Sept. 16	* at Florida State	W	27-20
Sept. 23	*** North Carolina**	**W**	**52-7**
Sept. 30	**Louisiana Tech**	**W**	**51-0**
Oct. 7	* at Wake Forest	W	27-17
Oct. 12	^ Temple	W	63-9
Oct. 21	*** Georgia Tech**	**W**	**31-7**
Oct. 26	* at Virginia Tech	L	7-24
Nov. 4	*** Maryland**	**L**	**12-13**
Nov. 11	*** N.C. State**	**W**	**20-14**

Date	Opponent	TV	Time
Nov. 25	**South Carolina**	**ESPN**	**12:00**

* - ACC game; ^ - Charlotte, NC; ° - double overtime; Note: All times are PM and EST; home games in **bold**.

National Polls

Rk	Associated Press (November 19, 2006) Team	Rk	USA Today/ESPN (November 19, 2006) Team
1.	Ohio State (65)	1.	Ohio State (63)
2.	Michigan	2.	Southern California
3.	Southern California	3.	Michigan
4.	Florida	4.	Florida
5.	Arkansas	5.	Arkansas
6.	Notre Dame	6.	Notre Dame
7.	West Virginia	7.	West Virginia
8.	Louisville	8.	Louisiana State
9.	Louisiana State	9.	Wisconsin
10.	Wisconsin	10.	Texas
11.	Texas	11.	Louisville
12.	Boise State	12.	Boise State
13.	Oklahoma	13.	Auburn
14.	Auburn	14.	Oklahoma
15.	Rutgers	15.	Georgia Tech
16.	Georgia Tech	16.	Rutgers
17.	Virginia Tech	17.	Virginia Tech
18.	Boston College	18.	Boston College
19.	Tennessee	19.	Nebraska
20.	Wake Forest	20.	Wake Forest
21.	Brigham Young	21.	Tennessee
22.	California	22.	California
23.	Nebraska	23.	Brigham Young
24.	Clemson	24.	Clemson
25.	Hawaii	25.	Hawaii

Junior linebacker Nick Watkins leads the team in tackles with 98, including 17 stops in Clemson's 20-14 victory over N.C. State.

South Carolina

Category	South Carolina	Opp.
Total Offense	4131	3480
Plays	661	657
Yards/Play	6.2	5.3
Yards/Game	375.5	316.4
Rushing Yards/Game	134.5	144.8
Passing Yards/Game	241.1	171.5
Passing Efficiency	145.7	115.8
Punting Average	42.2	41.1
Punt Returns	18-136	13-176
Kickoff Returns	30-568	39-771
First Downs	217	189
Penalties	72-550	76-601
Turnovers	18	17
Third-Down Conversion %	46.5	34.5
Time of Possession/Game	29:27	30:33
Points	271	179
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#	Rushing	Car.	Yards	Avg.	TD	LG
3	C. Boyd	130	623	4.8	5	40
25	M. Davis	74	333	4.5	4	19
13	S. Newton	86	330	3.8	3	28
22	B. Wallace	5	107	21.4	1	88
	South Carolina	**338**	**1479**	**4.4**	**13**	**88**
	Opponents	**403**	**1593**	**4.0**	**10**	**62**

#	Passing	Cm.	Att.	Yards	Int.	TD	Pct.
13	S. Newton	95	162	1316	7	12	58.6
12	B. Mitchell	93	137	1198	2	6	67.9
	South Carolina	**200**	**323**	**2652**	**9**	**20**	**61.9**
	Opponents	**130**	**254**	**1887**	**12**	**9**	**51.2**

#	Receiving	Rec.	Yards	Avg.	TD	LG
4	S. Rice	56	848	15.1	9	46
11	K. McKinley	43	702	16.3	3	44
3	C. Boyd	30	352	11.7	2	54
13	S. Newton	11	92	8.4	1	22
	South Carolina	**200**	**2652**	**13.3**	**20**	**54**
	Opponents	**130**	**1887**	**14.5**	**9**	**73**

#	Tackles	Tac.	TFL	Sacks	Int.
52	J. Brinkley	86	11-24	2.5-10	
53	M. Sapp	46	2.5-14	1-12	
21	E. Cook	40	5-9		
36	S. Woodson	40	1-2		3-11
51	C. Brinkley	36	10.5-61	4-28	
8	F. Bennett	31			2-28
33	C. Hampton	31	2-8	1-7	2-2
45	R. Paulk	30	3.5-13	1-8	
41	J. Lindsey	29	3.5-9	1-5	

2006 Results & Schedule

Date	Opponent	W-L	Score
Aug. 31	* at Mississippi State	W	15-0
Sept. 9	*** Georgia**	**L**	**0-18**
Sept. 16	**Wofford**	**W**	**27-20**
Sept. 23	**Florida Atlantic**	**W**	**45-6**
Sept. 28	*** Auburn**	**L**	**17-24**
Oct. 7	* at Kentucky	W	24-17
Oct. 21	* at Vanderbilt	W	31-13
Oct. 28	*** Tennessee**	**L**	**24-31**
Nov. 4	*** Arkansas**	**L**	**20-26**
Nov. 11	* at Florida	L	16-17
Nov. 18	**Middle Tennessee**	**W**	**52-7**

Date	Opponent	TV	Time
Nov. 25	at Clemson	ESPN	12:00

* - SEC game; Note: All times are PM and EST; home games in **bold**.

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Gaines Adams

Senior Spotlight

By Ashley Earle

When one thinks of the name Michael Jordan, the word "greatness" comes to mind. Jordan is a legend in all athletic circles, arguably the best basketball player in history.

However, Jordan was cut from his high school basketball team as a sophomore. It is remarkable that he went on to become the sport's top player.

While Gaines Adams and Jordan play different sports, they share a common unlikely path to stardom. Adams was never cut from his high school team, but he is a product of an eight-man football team, a squad coached by one of Clemson's most hated rivals on the gridiron, former South Carolina quarterback Steve Tanneyhill.

Adams is among the top defensive players in the nation in 2006. He has been named one of five finalists for the Bronko Nagurski Award, an accolade that will be presented on December 4 in Charlotte, NC. That honor is given to the top defensive player in the nation. Adams is also a sure bet to be chosen to many All-America teams this year.

During his career at Clemson, he has posted impressive stats. He has played in 46 games, including 24 as a starter. Adams has totaled 157 tackles, including 41.5 tackles for loss. He also has 26 sacks, 65 quarterback pressures, 19 pass breakups, and five caused fumbles.

Prior to 2006, he was named to the Hendricks Award, Bednarik Award, and Bronko Nagurski Award watch lists. **Lindy's** and **Phil Steele** rated him as the #2 defensive end in the nation as well.

Adams had the chance to turn pro after his junior year, but he opted to return in 2006. As a result last summer, **ESPN** analyst Mel Kiper rated him as the #2 overall prospect for the 2007 NFL draft.

The native of Greenwood, SC has come a long way to receive these honors. As stated above, his high school did not even field an 11-man football team, and he did not receive a single Division I scholarship offer after his career at Cambridge Academy.

"I was devastated," recalled Adams. "I stuck to playing football because I was good at it and thought I had a better chance to get a scholarship in football as oppose to basketball. So when I didn't get any scholarship offers, it hurt. I didn't know what I was going to do, but I knew I wasn't going to give up. When the opportunity to go to Fork Union Military Academy presented itself, I took it."

Gaines Adams played eight-man football in high school and was not even offered a Division I scholarship after his senior season.

Adams has always been an elite athlete, but basketball was his favorite sport growing up. But, that changed when Cambridge Academy's football coach (Tanneyhill), who led South Carolina to wins in Death Valley in 1992 and 1994, saw potential in the young Adams and encouraged him to play football.

Eight-man football came easy to the then 6'1" Adams. He played on both sides of the ball and tallied 341 tackles, 33 sacks, 10 interceptions, 158 catches for 4,394 yards, and scored 65 touchdowns during his career at Cambridge Academy.

Knowing he did not have a scholarship to play college football prompted him to transfer to Fork Union in Virginia, where he continued to improve his game. He played 10 games there as a defensive end in 2001, and he had 58 tackles, 22 sacks, and two interceptions. Clemson began to take notice of Adams while he was at Fork Union. Ron West, the Tigers' current outside linebackers coach, is credited with bringing this outstanding bandit end to Tigertown.

"I recruited him at Fork Union and we offered him early," remembered West. "When you're out recruiting, you never know how a guy is going to play, but I knew there was something special about him. He was fast off the edges, and we knew he would be an asset to our defense."

Upon graduation from Fork Union, Adams began to prepare for Clemson and the dream of playing college football. The transition from high school to college was not hard for him, particularly because he had attended prep school in Virginia. He was used to being away from home by that point.

Adams knew he had to gain more weight in order to be a powerful defensive end. Thus, the coaches and he decided it would be best if he redshirted his first year. During that time, Adams focused on the strength training room and gained the weight he needed.

During his red-shirt freshman season of 2003, Adams became the second-team defensive end. He played 12 games and recorded 15 tackles. Four of those tackles were for a loss, and signs of his dominance as a defensive end began to emerge. He also had seven quarterback pressures.

As the season progressed, so did his playing time. He played 172 snaps over the course of the season, and 161 of those were in the last eight games. He might have had his best game of his freshman year against #3 Florida State when he had four tackles, two tackles for loss, and a sack in limited duty. It was the first of three wins for Adams against the Seminoles, the first ACC senior class to defeat Florida State three times.

Adams has never been a person to settle for anything less than the best. Having 15 tackles his first year only made him want to get better, and that is exactly what he did. In 2004 as a sophomore, he had 35 tackles, more than double his total from 2003.

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He had eight tackles for a loss, with five of those being sacks. Those five sacks placed him tied for second on the team. Adams had at least one tackle in every game and at least one tackle for loss in seven games. Having played basketball for a good portion of his life, his leaping skills were a particular asset during the Utah State and South Carolina games, where he had a blocked punt in each game. His all-around athletic ability and his improvement from the past season garnered him the 12th Man Award for the Clemson defense.

Working hard is a big part of who Adams is, and in 2005 it paid off with his explosive season. "During the summers, I buy into Coach (Joey) Batson's (Clemson's strength & conditioning coach) system. Coming off of my sophomore year, I knew that the coaches were depending on me to make a big impact, and I had a chance of starting and didn't want to lose that opportunity."

The changes in Adams showed during his redshirt junior year when he became the starting defensive end. He finished with 56 tackles, which was the high figure among defensive linemen. He added 9.5 sacks, setting the school record for sacks by a junior, replacing Michael Dean Perry's previous record of nine set in 1986.

His sack total tied for fourth in the ACC, but it was the high mark among underclassmen. He accumulated a team-high nine pass breakups and made a place in history as the first defensive lineman to lead the team in pass breakups since Mark Heniford in 1977. He was third in the ACC in caused fumbles (3) and sixth in tackles for loss (15) as well.

Adams finished 2005 strong. Against #16 Florida State, he had three quarterback pressures, 2.5 tackles for loss, and 1.5 sacks, earning him Clemson's defensive player-of-the-game award. He was named ACC Defensive Lineman-of-the-Week after the Maryland game when he had eight tackles and 2.5 sacks. In the Champs Sports Bowl, he had seven tackles, two of which were sacks, and a caused fumble to help lead the Tigers to victory.

Adams' caused fumble and 66-yard return for a score turned the tide in Clemson's 27-17 comeback win at Wake Forest in October.

Adams has 10.5 sacks this season and 26 for his career, just two shy of the Tiger record.

With his breakout season, he received much publicity. The once-unknown kid from Cambridge Academy was making a splash in the college sports world. NFL scouts were impressed. Although he had the chance to turn pro, he chose to return for his senior year, a decision that delighted Tiger fans.

"I felt like I was not ready for the NFL, and I am a person that finishes something once I start it," he admitted. "I came to Clemson to get an education, and I'm going to do that. I graduate in December and will be the first one in my family to do so."

Upon making the announcement to return, Adams was put on several awards watch lists, listed as one of the top prospects in the NFL draft. With that notoriety came interviews, and lots of them. Adams, an extremely shy person, did not worry so much about the watch lists or the NFL, but the media interviews took some getting used to.

"The hype hasn't changed me," said #93. "I still work hard and want to help this team succeed. The only thing that has changed is that I have to give more interviews now, which has been an adjustment, because I'm a shy person."

During the summer before his senior season, Adams did not focus on the attention he was receiving, but instead centered on the goal of having a successful season. Over the course of this year, Adams has had many phenomenal games.

In the Florida State game, Adams began a series of eight straight games with at least one sack. He had 2.5 sacks in that 27-20 win over the #9 Seminoles. He had two tackles for loss, including a sack, in the win over #13 Georgia Tech, and added a career-high 10 tackles and a pass deflection that led to a fourth-quarter Nick Watkins interception in the win over N.C. State. Overall this year, he has 51 tackles, 14.5 tackles for loss, and 10.5 sacks. He has been in the top 10 in the nation in sacks all year.

His impressive numbers have put him among elite company in the Tiger recordbook. He has 26 career sacks, just two behind the school record of 28 held by Michael Dean Perry and one behind William Perry's total of 27.

But, when asked about his most memorable moment in a game this season and his career for that matter, Adams smiled and simply responded, "The Wake Forest game" in 2006.

Many Tiger fans will never forget it. It was rainy and cold, and Clemson was trailing 17-3 entering the fourth quarter. Wake Forest was preparing to kick a field goal and widen its lead to 17 points when Adams caused a fumble on a botched field-goal attempt. He caught the ball out of midair with one hand and returned it 66 yards for a touchdown, which brought the Tigers within seven points.

That moment changed the entire game, and the Tigers went on to win 27-17. It was Wake Forest's only loss through its first 10 games of the season. Adams ended the game with his first career touchdown, two caused fumbles, a recovered fumble, three tackles for loss, and two sacks. The play was cited as the Pontiac Game-Changing Play-of-the-Day in college football by **ESPN**.

His highlight-reel plays and consistency on the field come as no surprise to his position coach. "I've coached him for three years as our bandit end," said West. "He works hard and has gotten better each year. NFL scouts remark on how he has improved his game immensely from where he was two years ago. He plays the run a lot better and is much more physical. I account that to his dedication."

That dedication is a reason for Adams' consistency. This year, he had a streak of eight consecutive games with at least one sack, a Clemson single-season record by three games.

"Gaines has had a terrific season," said Tommy Bowden. "He has been one of the most consistent players in the nation. His sack streak is a testimony to that. He is a player that coordinators have to account for on every play. He must give them a lot of sleepless nights when they are preparing for us.

"Our defense has been in the top 10 in total defense, scoring defense, and sacks all year, and he is a major reason for our success in those areas. We are certainly glad he came back for his senior year to finish his career on the field and earn his degree in the classroom. He should be playing football for a long time to come at the next level."

Not only has Adams improved his game, but he has been an inspiration to others. Senior linebacker Anthony Waters reflected on the years he has known Adams.

"Gaines and I are like brothers," he smiled. "We lived together for two years and both play defense, so we are always together. He motivates me and vice versa, and we push each other in the weightroom. He has made me play to the best of my potential. He will have a big impact in the NFL."

Adams is truly a remarkable person. Growing up, he enjoyed basketball and wanted to be like his childhood idol (Jordan). Things have changed since then. In fact, his career demonstrates how hard it is to predict the future when it comes to athletics.

His story might be the most unpredictable. How many products of eight-man high school football go on to become first-team All-Americans and NFL first-round draft picks?

And even fewer are sent to this school thanks to the tutoring of a former Gamecock quarterback.

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Tramaine Billie

Senior Spotlight

By Whitney Fox

For Tramaine Billie, a senior parks, recreation, & tourism management major from Dreher High School in Columbia, SC, it has been a tough season on the sidelines. Billie broke his right ankle in an August 16 preseason practice. After much consideration and advice from his coaches, family, and friends, Billie decided to red-shirt this season and come back strong next year. Watching the games from the sidelines has been more difficult than Billie ever imagined.

"It has been very hard," admitted Billie. "This is the first time I've been injured to the point where I couldn't practice or play. But I have had to stay strong and be a fighter for myself and for the team."

When asked what he is doing to stay involved with the team, Billie said he encourages everyone to play hard and tries to tell them characteristics of the game they may not recognize. He talks with his teammates to help them read the opposing offense and learn other players' positions so they will be in the right spot at the right time.

Born November 15, 1983, Billie has been an all-star athlete from the start. He grew up loving basketball and running track. While at Dreher High, Billie was twice named MVP of the Dreher track & field team. In 2002, his speed earned him the 100m state title. Football did not become a significant part of his life until high school.

"It wasn't until high school that I realized I could run the ball well and make some pretty good plays," he recalled. "It was then that I thought I might want to go somewhere and play in college."

Known in high school for his amazing speed and ability to run, Billie was moved to running back as a junior after playing his first two seasons at linebacker. During his first season as a running back, he rushed for a school-record 2,003 yards in 2001 and scored 19 touchdowns. In this day and age when your rushing total exceeds the calendar year, that is saying something. He earned the team and region MVP awards as well.

Billie followed his junior year with an even more spectacular senior season. He ended his high school career by setting a career rushing mark with 4,073 yards and 43 touchdowns.

"My high school football coach, Coach Bacon, and track coach, Coach Brooks, always pushed me to work hard and compete to my full potential," Billie stated. "They are a big part of where I am today."

Tramaine Billie utilizes his speed and quickness to be a standout linebacker.

Billie was lost for the year when he suffered a broken ankle in preseason practice, but he has still maintained a positive outlook.

Coming out of high school, Billie was the #17-rated running back in the country according to **Tom Lemming** and the #9 prospect in the state according to South Carolina High School Sports Report. Among the long list of schools who wanted Billie's talents were Clemson, Florida State, Georgia, Georgia Tech, Louisiana State, and his hometown team, South Carolina.

After making an oral commitment to the Gamecocks, Billie decided it would be better in the long-run for him to attend Clemson. "I thought about it and talked with my family for a long time. I didn't want to be too close to home, but I wanted to be close enough so I could drive home, so I chose Clemson. During the recruiting process, the Clemson coaches were great and were a big part of my decision."

To no one's surprise, Billie came to Clemson as a running back. During a preseason practice his freshman year, he made a hit on former wideout Airese Currie, knocking Currie's helmet off.

"After that practice, Coach Bowden asked me if I could play defense," the 6-1, 210-pound Tiger said. "In high school, I played defense and offense, so I told Coach Bowden I could. I wanted to get on the field my freshman year. I just wanted to play."

Billie's initial plan was to red-shirt his freshman year, but after putting on shows in practice, Bowden decided he needed Billie on the field. He was one of only two true freshman defensive players to appear in a game in 2003. As the backup for then starting linebacker Eric Sampson, Billie had 14 tackles, including three key stops in the Tigers' 26-10 win over #3 Florida State.

As a sophomore in 2004, Billie finished the season as the fifth-leading tackler for the Tigers with 62 stops. He also recorded his first career interception against Georgia Tech.

In 2005 as a junior, Billie had 93 tackles, which was third-most on the team. He had a hit that caused a fumble in the win at Maryland, recovered a fumble at Wake Forest, and had a blocked field goal against Duke. In addition to his defensive prowess, Billie also became one of the top special teams players for the Tigers. He has twice been honored as special teams player-of-the-game (Duke, South Carolina) by the Tiger coaches.

Billie had avoided injuries and had excellent seasons until this year. During a preseason practice in August, his right foot got caught under him after he was blocked, resulting in a badly-broken right ankle.

At one point this year, foot injuries seemed to be almost contagious for the Tigers. Billie, starting wide receiver Chansi Stuckey, offensive guard Jamarcus Grant, and starting safety Michael Hamlin have all been sidelined with foot injuries this year. While all three broke a foot, Stuckey and Hamlin were able to return after just three or four weeks, but Billie says his break was different. Not only did Billie break his bone, he tore tendons as well.

"My ankle was really loose from the torn tendons," the injured Billie said while receiving rehabilitation. "It takes longer for tendons to heal than a bone. I broke my ankle bone and tore tendons. Stuckey and Hamlin just broke their bone."

Billie's perseverance apparently comes from his mother, a reason he has been able to deal with his serious injury. "My mother has always driven me to be the best," said #20. "Whatever I did, she has always told me she 'had my back!' She still says that! She stays on me 24/7 to make me do what I have to do to make it in life."

While teammate Anthony Waters suffered an injury in the first game of the season that ended his Clemson career, Billie was not red-shirted previously, therefore he will be able to return for the 2007 season as one of the leaders of the defense.

"I am definitely coming back next year," Billie said with confidence. "I plan to work hard to get bigger, faster, and stronger. I need to help the team the best way I can next year, and I am working towards goals that will allow me to do that."

What Tiger fan could ask for more?

Whitney Fox, a junior from Irmo, SC, is a student assistant in the Clemson Sports Information Office.

Tramaine Billie, who will return in 2007 as a fifth-year senior, has 174 tackles and 14.5 tackles for loss in three seasons as a Tiger.

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Anthony Waters

Senior Spotlight

By Sanford Rogers

This afternoon, Clemson and South Carolina will take to the turf at Frank Howard Field to renew one of college football's most-storied rivalries. For many people in this state, in towns ranging from Fork to Fountain Inn and Inman to Irmo, the Clemson-South Carolina gameday is one of the most important days of the year.

For this writer, who will witness his 25th Clemson-South Carolina contest today, a Tiger win had always meant the difference between happiness and sadness for the following 365 days. However, that attitude has changed dramatically after visiting with Clemson senior linebacker Anthony Waters. Waters, with his actions on and off the field of play, has demonstrated there are things in life much more important than the outcome of a football game.

To know Waters you have to begin with a visit to the quaint town of Lake View, SC. Located at the intersection of Highway 9 and Highway 41 on the South Carolina/North Carolina border some 256 miles from Clemson, the town is known for its never-ending tobacco fields, and undying support for Lake View High School and its athletic squads.

For Waters, Lake View is where he started to become the man he is today.

"Growing up in Lake View was a great experience," recalled Waters. "I also lived in Lumberton, NC and Mullins, SC, but Lake View is where I began my football career and is where so many people have played an important role in my life. I can't say enough about the people there. They have always been there for me and supported me in every way."

Any resident of Lake View is quick to point to the success of the Wild Gator football team. The Class A school has eight state titles in football through the years. The old joke about being able to rob the bank at the time of a Friday night high school football game is certainly applicable to Lake View. The environment is one that Waters recalls fondly.

"Football is what Lake View breathes," remembered Waters. "When those lights come on Friday night, there is nothing like it. You've got everyone in the town from Mayor Boston Page to the smallest kid yelling for you. Looking back on it, Lake View reminds me of Clemson in a lot of ways. The love and support of the entire community is something I will always remember."

Senior linebacker Anthony Waters was the vocal leader of Clemson's defense and gave Tiger fans many reasons to cheer.

When Waters looks back on his development as a person and as a football player, there is no shortage of mentors from Dillon County.

Lake View High School Head Football Coach Jewell McLaurin, a Clemson letterman in 1969 and 1970, Kip Herlong, the head baseball coach at Lake View High, and football Assistant Coaches Kenny Rogers and Daryl King all have a special place in his heart.

"I don't think there is any chance I would be where I am today without these men," stated Waters. "My family life was not the best when I was growing up, but these coaches were all like fathers to me.

"Coach McLaurin was always there for me. He stayed on me to be the best I could be. Coach Herlong and his entire family have been great to me. He really showed me the whole picture about life being more than football. Coach Rogers provided me with discipline. I knew if I got into trouble, I would have to face him. No one wants to be on his bad side.

"Coach King was the guy who pushed me to get bigger and stronger. When I was working out, he was right there beside me pushing me to do more. I don't think I could have played for better coaches or better people than the ones I had at Lake View."

McLaurin, who will guide the South Carolina Shrine Bowl squad in December, could not be more proud of his former star.

"Anthony Waters is a success story," said McLaurin. "As a sophomore, he was a slender guy. But, he got in the weightroom and was as dedicated as any player I've coached. Not only does he possess a great deal of talent, he has a real desire to win. That is something that comes from inside."

Waters' talent was on display for everyone to see at Lake View. He led the Wild Gators in rushing, receiving, and tackles as a senior, and was selected to play in the Shrine Bowl. In that contest, he accumulated eight tackles. Those numbers make it easy to understand why he was listed as one of the top-100 players in the country by numerous recruiting services.

Choosing a college is a difficult decision for any student-athlete. While Waters had offers from Auburn, Georgia Tech, and Maryland among others, the decision came down to one that most of the Palmetto State's top players have to decide between...Clemson and South Carolina. He credits former Tiger Assistant Mike O'Cain, now Virginia Tech's quarterbacks coach, for being the determining factor in donning the orange and purple.

"I had grown up a South Carolina fan," admitted Waters. "It came down to Clemson and South Carolina. I had trouble with the SAT, but Clemson and Coach O'Cain never gave up on me. He would call me every week and tell me to keep working hard, and things would work out. He is a great man. I owe him a lot for sticking with me."

O'Cain recalls Waters and the recruiting process six years ago. More importantly, he does not forget how hard #40 worked to come to Tigertown.

Anthony Waters

Senior Spotlight

"In Anthony's case, I saw how hard he worked to get the test score needed to qualify," said O'Cain. "With the type of hard work Anthony displayed to be eligible for admission at Clemson, there was no doubt in my mind that he was going to be a success on the field and in the classroom.

"Anthony Waters is the reason that you want to be in coaching. He is a young man that has overcome so much to be where he is today. I'm really proud to say that I know Anthony Waters. I'm a better person because of him."

Waters continued to work hard after making his way to Clemson. Following a red-shirt season, he played a key role on the special teams in 2003, with nine of his 35 tackles coming in a special teams role, helping the Tigers to a top-25 season. He continued his progress in 2004, starting all 11 games at linebacker. His best individual game was against Georgia Tech, as he had 10 tackles in just 69 snaps.

Prior to the 2005 season, there was much talk about who would replace ACC Defensive Player-of-the-Year Leroy Hill at middle linebacker. Waters, who had heard the talk throughout the spring and summer, was determined to be that replacement.

"I used the question about who would replace Leroy as motivation," remembered Waters. "The year before, the same question was being asked about who would replace John Leake. I knew if I worked as hard as I could, I could be the guy who the coaches could count on."

The coming-out party came early in the 2005 season for Waters. After a win in the opening game against #17 Texas A&M, the Tigers traveled to Maryland to face a Terrapin defense led by linebacker D'Qwell Jackson. Following a Tiger victory, the media and Clemson coaches took note of his performance that saw him tally 14 tackles, including a career-high 4.5 tackles for loss. Following the contest, he earned defensive player-of-the-game honors from the Clemson coaches.

"Going into that game at Maryland, I was determined to make a name for myself," said Waters. "Everyone knew what a great player D'Qwell Jackson was. Having a game like I had put me on the radar and gave me a lot of confidence for the rest of the season. It also let the coaches know that they could count on me to be a leader."

Waters suffered a season-ending knee injury in the season-opener against Florida Atlantic, but has still kept his spirits high.

His performance did more than put him on the radar...it catapulted him to a year when he led the nation's 11th-best scoring defense in tackles. His 9.9 tackles per game was third-best in the ACC.

A season like Waters had in 2005 led to questions about the possibility of declaring for the NFL draft. The allure of earning a large paycheck and fulfilling a dream of playing at the next level was considered. But in the end, the desire to achieve an even bigger goal won out.

"Last January, I didn't spend too much time thinking about the NFL," stated Waters. "When I made my SAT score coming out of high school, I made it a goal to earn a degree from Clemson. Football does not work out for everyone. To have the opportunity to get a free education and not take advantage of it was something I was not going to do.

"Earning my degree means so much to me and my family. We have not had the greatest of times during my life. Me graduating from college means so much to them. My mother Lynette means the world to me. I want to do anything I can to make her life better. I have eight brothers and sisters (Travis, Cody, Tasha, Henri, Jaquanna, Keivonte, Darius, Diayah). They mean everything to me. By me earning a degree from Clemson, it shows what you can do if you don't give up."

After seeing what he had overcome in his life, every Tiger fan hoped and dreamed for the storyline of 2006 to be about a stellar senior year. Preseason acclaim came early, with his name appearing on the Bednarik Award and Bronko Nagurski Award preseason lists. He was also a preseason All-America candidate by the Football Writers Association.

But late in the third quarter of the season-opener against Florida Atlantic, a non-contact knee injury took the breath away from Waters' coaches, teammates, and fans. Death Valley may have never have been quieter when he hobbled off the field.

"I told Danny Poole (Clemson director of sports medicine) there was no way I was coming off the field on a cart," said Waters. "My mom, grandmother, and godmother were all in the stands. I knew the injury was bad, but I didn't want them to worry about me more than they had to. I don't think I will ever forget how the crowd cheered for me then. That is what makes Clemson so special."

While his playing career at Clemson ended against the Owls, the goals of graduation and playing in the NFL are within reach. He is more than busy spending his time rehabbing his knee for three hours a day while completing his internship with the Clemson sports information office (his final class before earning a sports management degree in December). But before making the jump to the pro ranks, he has proved to be an integral member of the 2006 squad, albeit from the sidelines.

Just seven days after the injury, he was on the sidelines in Chestnut Hill, MA trying to guide the younger Tiger defenders against Boston College.

"I take it as a compliment that Coach Bowden has allowed me to travel with the team," said Waters. "Somewhere in my career, I did something that let him see me as a leader. Even though I can't play, I know that I can help the younger guys. I still see myself as a leader on this team."

Sophomore linebacker Antonio Clay is one of those players who values his leadership. He is quick to credit Waters with his progression this season.

Waters has remained an integral part of the team as a mentor for his teammates.

"Anthony is a great leader," said Clay. "Even though he is not able to be on the field, he is right there encouraging me and telling me what I need to do. I'm a better player because of him."

Clemson fans appreciate the leadership that Waters has displayed on the sidelines this year. But fans of all teams (even Gamecocks) should appreciate the leadership that Waters has displayed away from the Clemson campus.

Anytime that he returns to the Pee Dee region of South Carolina, there is a good chance one will find him speaking at the elementary school, middle school, or high school in Lake View. His message is one that will pay dividends for years to come.

"I try to show my face as much as possible at the schools and tell them what they can accomplish, no matter what you come from," said Waters. "I'm an example of what you can do if you work hard and have people who are willing to help you. I can't thank people enough for what they have done for me."

McLaurin knows that Waters has made a difference. "Anthony is very gracious to come back and speak to the kids," said McLaurin. "I have told our young men that you can't run down the Hill or play anywhere in college without working hard in school. He is an example of that. Years from now, there are kids that will be better because of him."

Waters continues to remember where he came from. Prior to this season on a trip home, he visited one of Lake View's most loyal fans, Greg Moody, a middle-aged man who suffers from Down Syndrome. Waters happens to be Moody's favorite player. Just before returning to Clemson for his final season, he stopped by Moody's home and presented him with one of his old Clemson game jerseys.

Yes, it has been a trying year for Anthony Waters. But, he has it all in the proper perspective.

Sanford Rogers worked in the Clemson Sports Information Office from 1989-93 and now works in sales in Greenville, SC.

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James F. Barker

Clemson University President

In addition to being a teacher and a leader, James F. Barker is an architect, an artist, and a builder of one of the nation's most rapidly improving public universities, Clemson. Barker came to the office in 1999 with a clear vision and a goal of making Clemson one of the nation's top 20 public universities - an institution that draws outstanding faculty and students, provides an unmatched academic experience, and helps drive the state's economic development.

A 1970 Clemson graduate, Barker has said, "South Carolina needs a top-tier research university, and our students deserve to have access to a top-tier education without leaving their home state. Building Clemson's academic, research, and service programs to the level where we can compete with anyone will benefit our state, our students, and our alumni."

Clemson, already South Carolina's top-ranked public university, is making strides toward that goal. During Barker's presidency, the university has:

- been recognized as **Time Magazine's** "Public College-of-the-Year" and ranked #1 among the "Best Places to Work in Academia" by **The Scientist Magazine**.
- developed and implemented an academic "Road Map" with eight emphasis areas aligned with South Carolina's economic needs.
- launched major new education and research-based economic initiatives, including the Clemson University International Center for Automotive Research (CU-ICAR) in Greenville, and the Clemson University Restoration Institute in Charleston.
- redesigned the general education curriculum to focus on learning outcomes, and give undergraduates more opportunities for study abroad, service-learning, and research.
- hosted the first-ever ACC "Meeting of the Minds" conference for undergraduate research and creative inquiry.
- attracted more students who are clearly among America's best.
- more than doubled external research funding, and completed Clemson's largest capital campaign.

Working with state leaders and private industry partners, Barker has steered Clemson into a greater economic development role. Master planning is complete for the CU-ICAR campus near I-85. The BMW Information Technology Resources Center is operational and construction is underway on the Carroll Campbell Graduate Engineering Center. The first class of Ph.D. students in automotive engineering will enter this fall and recruiting has begun for master's degree candidates. They will be taught by distinguished professors brought to the state to hold endowed chairs established under the South Carolina Research Centers of Excellence Act. Three of the four chairs devoted to automotive engineering - the BMW Chair, the Michelin Chair, and the Timken Chair - have already been filled.

Clemson is also investing $80 million to develop an advanced materials industry cluster. The linchpin is the Advanced Materials Research Laboratory, located in the Clemson Research Park in Anderson County, which is anchored by the nation's top optical materials and electron microscopy laboratories.

Barker also is becoming a leading voice in higher education in South Carolina and beyond. He currently chairs the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and chaired the ACC Council of Presidents during the league's recent expansion. He began a term on the national NCAA Board of Directors in spring of 2006.

For his leadership, Barker has received the Order of the Palmetto, South Carolina's highest civilian honor, and the 2006 Chief Executive Leadership Award from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) Southeastern District III. He was an invited speaker at the first-ever Forum on Presidential Leadership in June of 2006, sponsored by The Chronicle of Higher Education, and attended by more than 250 college and university presidents and trustees.

As president, Barker remains committed to the classroom. Each spring, he is part of a team that teaches an undergraduate course exploring "a sense of place" in architecture, literature, and history.

In presenting the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 2005, Washington University Chancellor Mark Wrighton said, "James F. Barker has taken the architectural skills and knowledge required to design a building and applied them to the future of a university. His architect's vision, collaborative instincts, and sense of place are rapidly pushing Clemson up through the ranks of the nation's top public universities. He has become a leader in national academic circles by creating a new model of education, building interdisciplinary partnerships among the professional schools, and the basic curriculum by tearing down artificial walls between disciplines."

Jim & Marcia Barker

A native of Kingsport, TN, Barker earned his B.A. degree from Clemson in 1970 and his master of architecture and urban design degree from Washington University in Saint Louis, MO in 1973. He and his wife Marcia have a son (Jacob) and daughter-in-law (Rita Bolt), and another son Britt.

Clemson's Goals By 2010

Academics, Research, & Service

1. Excel in teaching, at both the undergraduate and graduate levels
2. Increase research and sponsored programs to exceed $100 million a year in research support.
3. Set the standard in public service for land-grant universities by engaging the whole campus in service and outreach, including a focus on strategic emphasis areas.
4. Foster Clemson's academic reputation through strong academic programs, mission-oriented research and academic centers of excellence, relevant public service, and highly-regarded faculty and staff.
5. Seek and cultivate areas where teaching, research, and service overlap.

Campus Life

1. Strengthen our sense of community and increase our diversity.
2. Recognize and appreciate Clemson's distinctiveness.
3. Create greater awareness of international programs and increase activity in this area.
4. Increase our focus on collaboration.
5. Maintain an environment that is healthy, safe, and attractive.

Clemson's National Reputation

1. Promote high integrity and professional demeanor among all members of the University community.
2. Establish a Phi Beta Kappa chapter.
3. Have at least two Clemson students win Rhodes Scholarships.
4. Send student ensembles to perform at Carnegie Hall.
5. Have at least two Clemson faculty members win recognition by national academies.
6. Publicize both national and international accomplishments of faculty, staff, and students.
7. While maintaining full compliance, achieve notable recognition with another national football championship, two championships in Olympic sports, and two Final Four appearances in basketball.

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Dr. Terry Don Phillips

Clemson University Athletic Director

It hasn't taken Dr. Terry Don Phillips long to make his mark on Clemson University. That impact was recognized in June of 2006 when he was honored by NACDA (National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics) as the 2005-06 GeneralSports Turf Systems Athletic Director-of-the-Year for the Southeast Region of Division I-A. He was one of just four Division I-A athletic directors honored at the annual convention in New Orleans.

Phillips was honored for many reasons. In 2005-06, Clemson finished its most successful all-around athletics year in his tenure. The program had six-top 25 programs, including top-10 final rankings in men's soccer, golf, and baseball. It marked the first time since 1979 that Clemson reached the Final Four in soccer and the College World Series in baseball in the same academic year.

Clemson also had top-25 finishes in football, men's tennis, and women's tennis. The school's athletic program won a postseason football, men's basketball, and baseball game this academic year, the first time the program has done that since 1993-94. Clemson was the only school in the country to win a postseason football game, a postseason basketball game, and a College World Series game.

Clemson finished #32 in the nation in the Director's Cup standings on a per-sport basis in 2005-06 and #39 in total points, Clemson's highest rankings under the current scoring structure.

From an academic standpoint, nine of Clemson's 15 sports programs scored a perfect 100-percent graduation rate according to the Graduation Success Rate (GSR) figures announced by the NCAA on December 19, 2005. Clemson was #7 in the nation among the 119 Division I-A institutions in percentage of programs with a 100-percent score.

The Tiger football program had a 94-percent rate, fourth in the nation among Division I programs, trailing only Navy, Notre Dame, and Wake Forest. In the spring semester of 2006, the 15 programs had a combined GPA of 2.84, third-best on record, and all-time records were set for most Dean's List and President's List student-athletes.

"There's nothing worse than trying to maintain status quo," said Phillips, who became Clemson's 10th athletic director on July 1, 2002.

That motto has been a basic tenet that has characterized his career as an administrator and his pursuit to develop Clemson into a model athletic program in the 21st century. His beliefs are in line with the University's overall goal of making Clemson one of the top-20 public universities in the nation.

His resolve comes from a unique balance of experience in nearly every phase of college athletics, as well as a devotion to higher education that includes both a doctorate and law degree. He remains a classroom presence by teaching a Sports Law section in the Accountancy & Legal Studies department. In addition, he is chair of the NCAA Division I Infractions Appeals Committee, which serves the appellate role for all university and individual appeals arising from the Committee on Infractions.

Those influences are obvious in his strategic plan for Tiger athletics, which provides for a model program that can compete at the highest levels with academic integrity, concern for the student-athlete, financial responsibility, and in full compliance.

Steady strides have been made toward these goals through facility improvements and the development of concepts that will serve the entire program, starting with the endzone expansion. In 2006, 1,000 premium club seats will open and create a vital new revenue stream for future facilities.

Future plans call for a new comprehensive football building at Memorial Stadium. It will benefit the entire department, as it will create additional updated facilities in the McFadden Building for the Olympic sports program. A "One Clemson Center" will also be constructed to showcase the history of Clemson University, including its military and athletic heritage.

Since Phillips' arrival at Clemson, many highlights toward being a model program have occurred on the field as well, beginning with Clemson's first-ever national championship in golf in the spring of 2003, the first title for any Tiger program in 16 years.

His second year included an incredible run on the gridiron to end the season, as Tommy Bowden's Tigers defeated #3 Florida State in November and #6 Tennessee in the Peach Bowl. The football program has continued to make strides since then and ranked in the top 25 for the second time in the last three years with its #21 finish in 2005, and it is a consensus top 20 team in the preseason for 2006.

The women's tennis team was one of three programs to win ACC Championships in the same weekend in 2003-04 and advanced to the Final Four of the NCAA Tournament, the first women's athletic team in Clemson history to reach the Final Four in any postseason tournament. Nancy Harris' team duplicated the accomplishment in 2004-05, and has a string of four-straight top-20 seasons.

Excellence in academics has been a constant on his resumé. He has an undergraduate degree from Arkansas (1970), a master's from Virginia Tech (1974), a doctorate from Virginia Tech (1978), and a law degree from the Arkansas School of Law (1996). He is a member of the Arkansas Bar, American Bar Association, and the Sports Lawyers Association.

From an experience standpoint, Phillips has worked in nearly all phases of college athletics. He coached on the football staff at Virginia Tech, supervised spring sports and student-athlete enrichment at Florida, handled athletic fundraising and facility enhancement at Missouri and Arkansas, and had 15 years experience as an athletic director, including 13 at the Division I level, prior to his appointment at Clemson, coming from Oklahoma State.

Football was transformed from a perennial losing status to defeating Oklahoma during five of the eight years he was associated with Oklahoma State (1994-02). For this, he received the National Football Foundation Oklahoma Chapter Outstanding Contribution to Amateur Football Award in 2002.

When it came to success on the field and in the classroom, OSU's programs were among the Big 12's best. The achievements of the program included two national titles in men's golf, a men's basketball Final Four, two trips to the College World Series, 13 Big 12 titles, and 11 individual national champions, along with 53 academic All-Americans.

Before leading Oklahoma State, Phillips served as senior associate athletic director at Arkansas from 1988-94. He ran the daily operations and had oversight of facility projects for the men's programs, and was president of the Razorback Foundation.

Phillips was athletic director at Liberty (1980-81) and Louisiana-Lafayette (1983-88). He was also an assistant athletic director at Missouri (1981-83), and began his administrative career in 1979 as an assistant athletic director at Florida.

Phillips began his career in college athletics coaching football. He started as a graduate assistant at Arkansas from 1970-71. He moved on to Virginia Tech as an assistant coach from 1971-78 before joining the ranks of athletic administration.

Winning has been on his resumé since his playing days at Arkansas. He lettered on three Frank Broyles teams (1966,68,69). Arkansas was 27-5 in the three years and played in two Sugar Bowl games.

In addition to Phillips' leadership with the NCAA Infractions Appeals Committee, he also works with the NCAA certification program. He currently serves on several ACC Committees: Finance Committee, chair of the Committee on Infractions & Penalties, Television Committee, the Men's Basketball Committee, and the Football Committee.

Phillips has two children, John Dennis (29) and Sarah-Jane (26), and three stepchildren, Meagan (17), Marshall (15), and Madison (13). His wife Tricia is a graduate of the University of Missouri School of Journalism, and earlier enjoyed a career in athletics and development. She is now active in the Clemson and Seneca communities.

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Head Coach

When one looks at Tommy Bowden's resumé, the first thing that comes to mind is consistency. Bowden has completed nine seasons as a Division I head coach, and all nine of his teams have been bowl eligible at the conclusion of the regular season.

Each of his last six teams have finished the season with a winning record. A winning season in 2006 would give him a Tiger coaching record seven straight winning seasons, and he would become just the fifth head coach in ACC history to record seven straight winning seasons with the same program.

Bowden has also shown consistency in terms of improvement over the course of seasons. In each of the last three years, his teams have won at least five of its last six games. The 2003 team won its last four games, including wins over top-10 Florida State and Tennessee to finish ranked in the top 25. The 2005 team won six of its last seven games, a first for a Tiger team since 1991.

There has also been consistency in terms of success against Clemson's in-state rival (South Carolina). The Tigers have won six of the seven meetings with the Gamecocks since Bowden became Clemson's head coach in 1999, and the 85.7-percent winning mark is the best of any Tiger head coach in history against the Gamecocks given a minimum of five games. He has an average victory margin of 12.3 points per game in the state-rivalry game, and all six wins have been recorded against future Hall of Fame Head Coaches Lou Holtz and Steve Spurrier.

Through nine seasons as a Division I head coach, Bowden has a 70-37 record, a 65.4-percent winning mark that is eighth-best among active coaches with at least six years of experience. In conference games, he has never had a sub-.500 record, and his overall conference record stands at 43-25 for a 63.2-percent winning percentage.

In seven years at Clemson, he has a 52-33 (.612) mark and six bowl appearances. He has 32 ACC wins as well. The only program with more ACC wins during this time is Florida State. The 52 overall victories rank third in Clemson history in total wins. The 29-7 victory over South Carolina in the 2004 season finale was not only the 600th win in Clemson history, it moved Bowden ahead of Hall of Fame Coach Jess Neely into third place on Clemson's coaching victories list. Only Frank Howard and Danny Ford are ahead of Bowden.

Bowden has tallied his record against a difficult schedule. In his first year at Clemson, the schedule was ranked in the top 10 in the nation. In 2001, his team defeated five teams that finished with a winning record, tied for the third-highest single-season figure in school history. One of the wins was a 47-44 overtime triumph at #9 Georgia Tech. It was the highest-ranked road win in 20 years for the program. In 2003 and 2004, Clemson's schedule strength once again ranked in the top 25 by the **Sagarin** rating. The 2005 team faced five top-25 teams in the regular season, a first in school history.

Twice Bowden has received ACC Coach-of-the-Year honors (1999,03), joining Howard, Charley Pell, and Ford as the only two-time recipients of that award in Clemson football history. In January of 2006, he was given the Grant Teaff National Coach-of-the-Year Award by the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Off the field, Clemson has graduated nearly 80 percent of its seniors in his seven years. Clemson's graduation success rate of 94 percent in 2005 was fourth-best among the 119 Division I programs. In 2003, Clemson was 11th in the nation, including second among public schools, in the NCAA graduation-rate study for scholarship football signees who entered Clemson in 1996. Clemson was first in the nation in graduation rate among African-Americans (100 percent). Each of the top-six semester team GPAs have been recorded under Bowden.

In 2005, Clemson had a record of 8-4, including a 3-2 mark against top-25 ranked teams. All four of the losses were by six points or less and by a total of 14 points. Two of those losses came in overtime, therefore the Tigers lost the four games by a combined five points at the end of regulation.

The 2005 team also won six of its last seven games, including a 19-10 win over Colorado in the Champs Sports Bowl. Clemson had the best record among the 12 ACC teams over that time period.

Clemson finished in the top 25 in four national defensive rankings, including 11th in scoring defense. After the victory over Colorado in the Champs Sports Bowl, the Tigers were ranked #21 in the final **Associated Press** and **USA Today** polls. Clemson had three wins over top-20 ranked teams, the most in one season by a Tiger team since 1989.

In four years at Clemson, Charlie Whitehurst became the most prolific signal-caller in school history. He set 46 Tiger records, including records for passing yards (9,665), completions (817), completion percentage (59.5), and touchdown passes (49). He directed Clemson to 25 wins as a starting quarterback, the second-most wins in school history.

Consistency in his approach is one reason Clemson went from a 1-4 start to bowl eligibility in 2004. It was the first time since 1963 that a Tiger team had overcome such a deficit to finish with a winning record.

Clemson played a complete game at #10 Miami (FL) on November 6, 2004 and defeated the Hurricanes in the Orange Bowl 24-17 in overtime. It was the second overtime win of the year for the Tigers, who are 4-2 in extra-session games under Bowden.

The win over Miami gave Bowden and the Tigers three wins over top-10 programs in a 13-game span, something that had been done at Clemson just once previously (1981 National Championship team). All three of those programs (Florida State, Tennessee, Miami) have won the national championship within the last eight seasons.

Over the last three seasons, Bowden has won seven games over coaches who have won the national title (Bobby Bowden (twice), Phillip Fulmer, Larry Coker, Holtz (twice), and Spurrier). These big wins have stimulated interest in the program. The Tigers averaged over 78,000 fans per home game in 2005. Clemson has been in the top 20 in home attendance each of his seven years at Clemson, and five of the top-nine average figures have come in his tenure.

With Clemson's selection to the 2004 Peach Bowl, Bowden became the first head coach in Clemson and ACC history to take a team to a bowl game in each of his first five seasons. In fact, no coach had ever done so more than twice to open his career at Clemson.

Ryan, Lauren, Linda, and Tommy Bowden with dog Lucy

The Bowden File

Playing Experience
Wide receiver at West Virginia (1973-76).

Bowl Participation as a Player
1975 Peach Bowl.

Education
B.S. degree in physical education with a minor in health from West Virginia in 1977.

Head Coaching Record
70-37 (65.4-percent winning mark) in nine seasons...18-4 in two seasons at Tulane...52-33 in his seven seasons at Clemson.

Personal Data
Born July 10, 1954...married to the former Linda Joan White...the couple has a son (Ryan 24, a 2004 Clemson graduate and current law student at Regent University) and a daughter (Lauren 21, a senior at Clemson).

Tommy Bowden

Head Coach

The 2004 Peach Bowl appearance meant that it was the first time since the senior class of 1991 that Clemson went to a bowl game five straight years. Clemson's red-shirt seniors of 2003 were the first group he recruited, so it is an indication of the firm foundation his first group set. In December of 2003, Bowden cemented his place at Clemson by signing a seven-year contract, which will go through 2010.

The 2003 season was a breakthrough year in many ways. Clemson earned its highest-ever win over a ranked team with a 26-10 victory over #3 Florida State. The Tigers also defeated #24 Virginia in a thrilling overtime game. The 39-3 win over a bowl-bound Georgia Tech team was Clemson's largest victory margin in the series since 1900 as well.

The 2003 victory over Florida State, Clemson's first in 12 tries since the Seminoles joined the ACC, was the beginning of a four-game winning streak to close the season. In those four games, Clemson outscored its opponents 156-48, an average score of 39-12. Clemson defeated arch-rival South Carolina in Columbia 63-17. It was the most points ever scored by a team in the 101-game series and the Tigers' largest win margin in the series since 1900.

The season concluded with a 27-14 win over #6 Tennessee, the highest-ranked team Clemson has defeated in a bowl game since 1981, when the Tigers defeated #4 Nebraska in the Orange Bowl to claim the national championship. As a result, Clemson finished the season with nine wins and a #22 final national ranking.

The 2002 season included victories over bowl teams Georgia Tech and Wake Forest, and a third victory in four years over arch-rival South Carolina. Clemson gained 434 yards of total offense in the 27-20 win over the Gamecocks, the most yards against Holtz's defense all season.

Clemson had another record-setting season in 2001, a season that culminated with a Humanitarian Bowl victory over Louisiana Tech. Clemson set school records for points scored, touchdowns, and total offense in a bowl game in the victory.

When Bowden came to Clemson in 1998, he inherited a team with a 3-8 record. By late October of 2000, just 14 months after his first game, Clemson was ranked third in the nation in the **USA Today** poll after an 8-0 start. That ranking was the highest for the program in 16 years. The final #14 ranking in that same poll was the highest final listing for the program since the 1990 season.

In 2000 and 2001, his dynamic offense produced a Heisman Trophy contender in quarterback Woodrow Dantzler, who placed his name next to 52 school records. In 2001, he became the first quarterback in Division I history to total 2,000 yards passing and 1,000 yards rushing in a single season.

When Bowden came to Clemson, he had one simple goal - improvement. Bowden warned Clemson supporters that the Tigers were unlikely to be bowl participants in 1999, but his main focus was to improve. Bowden's goal of improvement was reached and he was happy to be wrong about his preseason prediction, as the Tigers were invited to the 1999 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl.

In 1999, Bowden accomplished a personal milestone that no Clemson coach had attained since 1981, the year the Tigers won the National Championship. He became the first Clemson coach since Danny Ford to be named ACC Coach-of-the-Year.

Making strong improvement in his first year with a program was nothing new for Bowden. In the two seasons he was the head coach at Tulane, Bowden took a team that had been 4-18 in the two years previous to his arrival, and emotionally and numerically reversed the team's fortunes with an 18-4 record, posted an 11-1 conference mark, and finished the 1998 season ranked #7 in the nation by both polls. Tulane and Tennessee were the only undefeated teams in college football in 1998.

The Green Wave scored 40 or more points in eight games in 1998, including each of the last seven games. In one game, the Green Wave scored 72 points and rolled up 704 yards of total offense. They converted 52 percent of their third-down opportunities for the season and had just 11 turnovers in over 800 plays. The 1998 season saw the program post a perfect 11-0 regular season under Bowden, its first perfect regular season since 1931. The Green Wave won Conference USA, its first league title since Tulane won the SEC in 1949. Bowden was named Conference USA Coach-of-the-Year.

A look to the list of coaches who had undefeated seasons in the 1990s shows two other men named Bowden. His father, Florida State Head Coach Bobby Bowden, had a perfect regular season in 1996 and 1999, while his brother, Terry, posted a perfect regular season in 1993. Obviously, the Bowdens are the first family of college coaching and this "Wonder Years" environment had a lot to do with Tommy Bowden's decision to enter coaching.

Tommy Bowden began his college football experience as a walk-on wide receiver at West Virginia. He played for his father between 1973-75 and then for Frank Cignetti during the 1976 season.

Tommy Bowden has kept Clemson pointed in the right direction since becoming the Tigers' 24th head football coach in 1999.

As a junior, he caught 15 passes for 189 yards and one score. Bowden remained at West Virginia for the 1977 season and began his coaching career, serving as a graduate assistant on Cignetti's staff. His interest in coaching only became more intense after that first year as a graduate assistant. His father then hired him as a secondary coach at Florida State for the 1978 season.

In 1980, Bowden joined the East Carolina staff, where he coached during spring practice in 1980. That spring, he moved to Auburn and served as the Tigers' running backs coach for the 1980 season.

In 1981, Bowden returned to Tallahassee as the tight ends coach. In two more years at Florida State, the Seminoles posted a 15-8 mark. The 1982 team ranked #13 in the final poll, claimed a 9-3 record, and won a Gator Bowl championship.

From 1983-86, Bowden served under Steve Sloan at Duke as the quarterbacks coach, and was named coordinator in 1985. In 1984, he made his first trip to Death Valley as a coach. Among the players he tutored was future NFL player Anthony Dilweg.

After four years at Duke, Bowden became the wide receivers coach at Alabama under Bill Curry. It was there that Bowden refined his offensive coaching prowess under noted offensive mind Homer Smith, then the Tide offensive coordinator.

In 1990, Bowden returned to a coordinator role, serving as Kentucky's offensive coordinator and wide receivers coach. That year, he helped the Wildcats to their first upper division SEC finish since 1984.

In 1991, Bowden joined Pat Dye at Auburn. He remained with Auburn for six years, his longest stint as an assistant. Auburn had a combined record of 46-20-2, including a perfect 11-0 season in 1993.

Born on July 10, 1954 in Birmingham, AL, Bowden is married to the former Linda Joan White, who he first met when the two were in school together at Morgantown (WV) High. The couple has two children, Ryan (24), a 2004 Clemson graduate and currently a law student at Regent University, and Lauren (21), a senior at Clemson.

Bowden's Coaching Records

Year	School	Position(s)	W-L	Bowl
1978	Florida State	DB	8-3	
1979	Florida State	DB	11-1	Orange
1980	Auburn	RB	5-6	
1981	Florida State	TE	6-5	
1982	Florida State	TE	9-3	Gator
1983	Duke	QB	3-8	
1984	Duke	QB	2-9	
1985	Duke	OC/QB	4-7	
1986	Duke	OC/QB	4-7	
1987	Alabama	WR	8-4	Hall of Fame
1988	Alabama	WR	9-3	Sun
1989	Alabama	WR	10-2	Sugar
1990	Kentucky	OC/WR	4-7	
1991	Auburn	OC/WR	5-6	
1992	Auburn	OC/WR	5-5-1	
1993	Auburn	OC/WR	11-0	
1994	Auburn	OC/WR	9-1-1	
1995	Auburn	OC/WR	8-4	Outback
1996	Auburn	OC/WR	8-4	Independence
1997	Tulane	HC	7-4	
1998	Tulane	HC	11-0	*Liberty
1999	**Clemson**	**HC**	**6-6**	**Peach**
2000	**Clemson**	**HC**	**9-3**	**Gator**
2001	**Clemson**	**HC**	**7-5**	**Humanitarian**
2002	**Clemson**	**HC**	**7-6**	**Tangerine**
2003	**Clemson**	**HC**	**9-4**	**Peach**
2004	**Clemson**	**HC**	**6-5**	
2005	**Clemson**	**HC**	**8-4**	**Champs Sports**

* - did not coach team in bowl game

Years as a coach: 28
Record of teams as assistant: ..... 129-85-2 (.602)
Record of teams as head coach: ..... 70-37 (.654)
Record of teams in conference games: ..... 43-25 (.632)

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Brad Scott

- Assistant Head Coach
- Offensive Line
- 8th Season at Clemson
- 26th Season Overall
- South Florida '79
- Born September 30, 1954

Playing Experience
Three-year letterman and two-year starter on the offensive line at Missouri-Rolla (1973-75).

Education
B.A. degree in science education from South Florida in 1979...M.S. in athletic administration from Florida State in 1984.

Coaching Experience
Assistant coach at DeSoto County High in Arcadia, FL (1979)...assistant coach at Hardee County High in Wauchula, FL...head coach at DeSoto County High in Arcadia, FL (1982,83)...graduate assistant coach at The Citadel (1981,82)...graduate assistant coach at Florida State (1983-85)...tight end coach/recruiting coordinator at Florida State (1985-90)...offensive coordinator/offensive line coach at Florida State (1990-93)...head coach at South Carolina (1994-98)...assistant head coach/tight ends at Clemson (1999,00)...assistant head coach/offensive coordinator/tight ends at Clemson (December 2000-03)...assistant head coach/offensive line coach at Clemson (2004,05).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
1983 Peach Bowl...1984 Citrus Bowl...1985 Gator Bowl...1986 All-American Bowl...1988 Fiesta Bowl...1989 Sugar Bowl...1990 Fiesta Bowl...1990 Blockbuster Bowl...1992 Cotton Bowl...1993 Orange Bowl...1994 Orange Bowl...1999 Peach Bowl...2001 Gator Bowl...2001 Humanitarian Bowl...2002 Tangerine Bowl...2004 Peach Bowl...2005 Champs Sports Bowl.

Bowl Seasons as a Head Coach
1995 Carquest Bowl.

Personal Data
Born September 30, 1954 in Arcadia, FL...married to Daryle...the couple has two sons (Jeff 25, John 22).

Scott Highlights

In his first season at South Carolina in 1994, he led the Gamecocks to their first postseason bowl win in school history in the Carquest Bowl...while with the Seminoles, they were 10-0-1 in bowl games...with the win at the Carquest, Scott never tasted a bowl defeat in his first 12 bowl games as a coach...Florida State had a 44-6 (.880) record with Scott as offensive coordinator, which was the most wins by a Division I program during those four years...Florida State also claimed the 1993 national title with Scott running the offense and finished no lower than fourth in the nation in any one season...coached Heisman Trophy winner Charlie Ward...two of his five Seminole recruiting classes were ranked #1 in the nation (1985,89)...the 2000 offense set 31 records, including total offense and touchdowns...the 2000 team ranked in top 15 in the nation in total offense, scoring, and rushing...as offensive coordinator in 2001, he directed Woodrow Dantzler to the first 2,000-1,000 passing-rushing season in NCAA Division I history...he coordinated two of the top four offenses in Tiger history (2001,03)...his son Jeff was the Tigers' holder for three years and is now the head coach at Blythewood (SC) High School...his other son John graduated from Harvard, where he lettered in football and track, in 2006, and is in medical school at Vanderbilt.

Vic Koenning

- Defensive Coordinator
- Defensive Backs
- 2nd Season at Clemson
- 21st Season Overall
- Kansas State '83
- Born February 26, 1960

Playing Experience
Played linebacker at Kansas State (1979-82)...three-year starter and team captain in 1982.

Bowl Participation as a Player
1982 Independence Bowl.

Education
B.S. degree in communications from Kansas State in 1983...M.A. degree in athletic administration from Memphis in 1989.

Coaching Experience
Graduate assistant/strength training coach at Memphis (1986-90)...defensive backs coach at Memphis (1991-96)...defensive coordinator at Wyoming (1997-99)...head coach at Wyoming (2000-02)...defensive coordinator at Troy (2003,04)...defensive coordinator/defensive backs coach at Clemson (2005).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
2004 Silicon Valley Bowl...2005 Champs Sports Bowl.

Personal Data
Born February 26, 1960 in Owasso, OK...married to Tracey...the couple has four children (Kimberly 26, Brady 10, Camden 6, and Jackson 5).

Koenning Highlights

In his first year as the defensive backs coach at Memphis in 1991, he helped lead the Tigers to a 24-10 upset of #14 Southern California in the Los Angeles Coliseum...his second season with the program saw Memphis defense rank third in the nation in total defense and 15th in scoring defense...as the defensive coordinator at Wyoming in 1997, the Cowboys were second in the nation in sacks, sixth in pass defense, 17th in scoring defense, and 23rd in total defense; that defense also had a school-record and national-best 24 takeaways...head coach at Wyoming from 2000-02...coached 10 Cowboys who earned first-team all-conference honors and 12 who were second-team selections during his five seasons at Wyoming...as the defensive coordinator at Troy in 2003, his unit ranked sixth in the nation in turnovers forced...in 2004, the Trojans forced 32 turnovers to rank tied for second in the nation behind National Champion Southern California...the Trojans finished 2004 ranked sixth in the nation in pass efficiency defense, eighth in rushing defense, and 10th in scoring defense; the Trojan defense also led the nation in interceptions with 25; Troy finished ninth in the nation in fewest yards per play allowed and 16th in the nation in total defense (311.0)...of the 12 teams Troy faced in 2004, 11 failed to reach their scoring average for the course of the season...two Troy defenders were in the top 16 in the nation in interceptions (Johnny Faulk, Derrick Ansley)...his defense featured standout defensive lineman Demarcus Ware, who ranked eighth in the nation in sacks and 13th in tackles for loss...his 2005 Clemson defense was 20th in the nation in total defense and 11th in scoring defense (17.6)...coached 2005 Thorpe Award finalist and first-round draft pick Tye Hill in the secondary.

Rob Spence

- Offensive Coordinator
- Quarterbacks
- 2nd Season at Clemson
- 16th Season Overall
- Iona '81
- Born October 10, 1958

Playing Experience
Played tight end at Iona (1978-81).

Education
B.A. degree in social work from Iona in 1981...M.S. degree in education from Iona in 1990.

Coaching Experience
Assistant coach at Pelham Memorial High in Pelham, NY (1981)...offensive coordinator/junior varsity head coach at Iona Prep in New Rochelle, NY (1982,83)...head coach at Iona Prep (1984-88)...offensive coordinator at Iona (1989)...offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach at Hofstra (1990)...quarterbacks coach at Holy Cross (1991)...inside receivers/tight ends coach at Maryland (1992,93)...quarterbacks coach at Maryland (1994-96)...offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach at Hofstra (1997,98)...associate head coach/offensive coordinator at Hofstra (1999)...co-offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach at Louisiana Tech (2000)...assistant head coach/offensive coordinator at Toledo (2001-04)...offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach at Clemson (2005).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
2001 Motor City Bowl...2002 Motor City Bowl...2005 Champs Sports Bowl.

Personal Data
Born October 10, 1958 in Middletown, DE...married to Susan...the couple has two daughters (Samantha 14 and Sydney Rae 12).

Spence Highlights

As the offensive coordinator at Hofstra in 1990, he helped the program to a 12-1 record and a #3 national ranking...coached the quarterbacks at Holy Cross in 1991, helping the Crusaders to an 11-0 record and a #3 national ranking...as an assistant coach at Maryland from 1992-96, he helped the Terrapins set 70 offensive school records...offensive coordinator at Hofstra from 1997-99...his 1998 offense averaged 38.7 points and was ninth in the nation in total offense...Hofstra averaged 34 points per game in 1999, and finished with an 11-2 record and #5 national ranking...spent one year as the offensive coordinator at Louisiana Tech, where freshman quarterback Luke McCown threw for 2,533 yards and 21 touchdowns...in his first season as offensive coordinator at Toledo in 2001, his offense ranked in the top 16 in the nation in scoring (34.9), total offense (444.5), and rushing (213.4)...his 2002 offense ranked fifth in the nation with an average of 472 yards per game and 35.4 points per game...the Rockets finished in the top 30 in the nation in rushing and passing in 2002...in 2003, the Rockets ranked 11th in the nation in total offense and sixth in passing efficiency; quarterback Bruce Gradkowski was second in the nation in completion percentage (71.2)...in 2004, the Rockets were one of only four offenses in the nation to record at least 2,000 yards rushing and 3,000 yards passing...the 2004 team averaged 474.1 yards per game and 35.2 points in a regular season that included a 9-3 record and the MAC title...led the Tigers to a school-record 65.8 completion percentage in 2005...in his first year at Clemson, the offense improved 89 yards per game from the 2004 season, the ninth-best improvement in Division I.

Assistant Coaches

David Blackwell

- Recruiting Coordinator
- Inside Linebackers
- 4th Season at Clemson
- 15th Season Overall
- East Carolina '97
- Born May 4, 1971

Playing Experience
Played at East Carolina in 1990 as an offensive lineman.

Education
B.S. degree in exercise science from East Carolina in 1997.

Coaching Experience
Undergraduate assistant coach at East Carolina (1992)...rush end linebackers coach at East Carolina (1993-95)...defensive line coach/recruiting coordinator at Illinois State (1996,97)...linebackers coach/recruiting coordinator at Illinois State (1998,99)...linebackers coach at Pittsburgh (2000-02)...recruiting coordinator/linebackers coach at Clemson (2003-05).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
1994 Liberty Bowl...1995 Liberty Bowl...2000 Insight.com Bowl...2001 Tangerine Bowl...2002 Insight.com Bowl...2004 Peach Bowl...2005 Champs Sports Bowl.

Personal Data
Born May 4, 1971 in Greenville, SC...married to the former Melissa Androutsos...the couple has a son D.J. (born May 6, 2006).

Blackwell Highlights

Began his coaching career at East Carolina, his alma mater, where coached the rush linebackers between 1993-95...the Pirates earned trips to the Liberty Bowl in two of those seasons...played on the offensive line for East Carolina in the early 1990s...one of his best games came against national power Florida State as a freshman, when he graded out at 85 percent...his playing career was cut short in 1991 by a neck injury...served as a student assistant coach in 1992 at East Carolina...attended nearby Berea High School in Greenville, SC...an assistant at Illinois State from 1996-99, where he helped lead one of the top turnarounds in NCAA Division I-AA football during that time period...in 1999, Illinois State compiled a school-best 11-3 record and advanced to the semifinals of the Division I-AA playoffs before losing to eventual national champion Georgia Southern...linebackers coach at Pittsburgh from 2001-03 and was a big reason the Panthers went to a bowl game three straight years...Pittsburgh finished 2002 with a 9-4 record and #18 final ranking in the coaches poll...the season ended on a high note, as the Panthers defeated Oregon State 38-13 in the Insight.com Bowl...in 2002, the Panthers' point-prevention unit ranked 14th in the nation in scoring defense, 12th in total defense, 15th in pass efficiency defense, and 24th in rushing defense; Pittsburgh was one of just a few teams in the nation that finished in the top 25 in all four major categories...in his fourth season at Clemson as the linebackers coach and recruiting coordinator...had a lot to do with Clemson's improvement in 2003; he coached ACC linebacker Leroy Hill, who was second in the nation in tackles for loss...Hill was then named ACC Defensive Player-of-the-Year in 2004...Clemson was in the top 10 in the nation in sacks and 11th in pass efficiency defense in 2004...coached linebacker Anthony Waters to a team-high 109 tackles and 13.5 tackles for loss in 2005...his 2005 and 2006 recruiting classes were consensus top 25...has coached high school players who have gone on to sign NFL contracts.

Burton Burns

- Running Backs
- 8th Season at Clemson
- 18th Season Overall
- Nebraska '76
- Born October 27, 1952

Playing Experience
Played fullback at Nebraska (1971-75).

Bowl Participation as a Player
1973 Orange Bowl...1974 Cotton Bowl...1975 Sugar Bowl.

Education
B.S. degree in education from Nebraska in 1976.

Coaching Experience
Assistant coach at Saint Augustine High in New Orleans, LA (1977-79)...assistant coach at Booker T. Washington High (1980)...assistant head coach/offensive coordinator at Saint Augustine High (1986-94)...assistant coach at Southern (LA) (1981-85)...assistant coach at Tulane (1994-98)...running backs coach at Clemson (1999-05).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
1998 Liberty Bowl...1999 Peach Bowl...2001 Gator Bowl...2001 Humanitarian Bowl...2002 Tangerine Bowl...2004 Peach Bowl...2005 Champs Sports Bowl.

Personal Data
Born October 27, 1952...married to the former Connie Winder...the couple has three daughters (Amber 32, Christy 29, Erin 22) and a son (Damon 24).

Burns Highlights

Spent the 1997 and 1998 seasons at Tulane directing the Green Wave running attack...during the 1998 season, the Tulane running attack improved to 202.4 yards per game to finish 23rd nationally...earned two letters under legendary Head Coach Tom Osborne at Nebraska (1974,75); while there, the Cornhuskers played in the Orange Bowl, Cotton Bowl, and Sugar Bowl...helped his high school alma mater (Saint Augustine High) win district titles in 1987,92,93; also assistant coach at the school from 1977-79 when the Purple Knights won three district titles and back-to-back Class AAAA state titles in 1978 and 1979...coached four future NFL players at Saint Augustine High, including Sean Jackson, Tyrone Hughes, David White, and Louis Age...coached former Jet running back Jerald Sowell while at Tulane...while at Booker T. Washington High in 1980, the school won the district title...during his stint at Southern, the Jaguars finished in the top two of the Southwestern Athletic Conference three times...coached First-Team All-ACC running back Travis Zachery in 2000 and 2001...Zachery set the Clemson record for touchdowns in a career and a single-season under Burns' direction; he also became Clemson's eighth 1,000-yard running back in 2000...Clemson was 14th in the nation in rushing in 2000...Clemson has established over 100 records on offense since he came to Clemson, including Zachery's career touchdown mark...his running backs were a big reason Clemson averaged 5.7 yards per play in 2003, second-best in school history...helped Reggie Merriweather improve from 56 yards in 2003 to 670 yards and 11 touchdowns in 2004...coached a pair of 700-yard rushers (James Davis, Merriweather) in 2005; Davis was ACC Rookie-of-the-Year...has four children between the ages of 22 and 32...his youngest child (Damon) played baseball at Texas Southern and had three hits in the upset win at Rice in the 2004 NCAA Tourney.

Billy Napier

- Tight Ends
- 1st Season at Clemson
- 2nd Season Overall
- Furman '03
- Born July 21, 1979

Playing Experience
Four-year letterman and two-year starter at quarterback at Furman (1999-02)...two-time All-Southern Conference selection at quarterback.

Education
B.A. degree in health & exercise science from Furman in 2003.

Coaching Experience
Graduate assistant coach at Clemson (2004)...quarterbacks coach at S.C. State (2005).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
2004 Peach Bowl.

Personal Data
Born July 21, 1979 in Cookeville, TN...single.

Napier Highlights

Lettered four times (1999-02) at Furman and was a two-time captain as a quarterback...holds the Furman career record for completion percentage (64.8) and is third in passing yardage (4,247)...set the school single-season record with 2,475 passing yards and was a finalist for the Walter Payton Award in 2002...served as an offensive video assistant at Clemson in 2003 and an on-field graduate assistant coach who worked with the defense in 2004...an off-campus recruiter in December of 2004 and January of 2005...quarterbacks coach at S.C. State in 2005 under Head Coach Buddy Pough when the Bulldogs were 9-2 with a 7-1 conference record; that team also averaged 34.4 points per contest (17th-best among 116 Division I-AA schools), including at least 23 points in all 11 games...S.C. State was 12th in the nation in rushing (236 yards per game) and 15th in the nation in passing efficiency, as it averaged 160 passing yards per game...helped the Bulldogs to the fourth-best turnover margin in the country, as the team committed just 11 turnovers in 2005 after losing 33 turnovers in 2004...was elevated to the offensive coordinator position after the 2005 season, but never coached in that role due to his hiring at Clemson...coaches tight ends in 2006, a valuable position in Rob Spence's offense...at the age of 27, he is among the youngest full-time Division I coaches in the nation...native of Chatsworth, GA who is single.

Chris Rumph

- Defensive Line
- 1st Season at Clemson
- 5th Season Overall
- South Carolina '94
- Born December 21, 1971

Playing Experience
Lettered four times as a linebacker at South Carolina (1991-94).

Bowl Participation as a Player
1995 Carquest Bowl.

Education
B.S. degree in retail management from South Carolina in 1994.

Coaching Experience
Head coach at Calhoun County High in Saint Matthews, SC (1997-01)...defensive backs coach at S.C. State (2002)...outside linebackers coach at Memphis (2003-05).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
2003 New Orleans Bowl...2004 GMAC Bowl...2005 Motor City Bowl.

Personal Data
Born December 21, 1971 in Orangeburg, SC...married to Kila...the couple has two sons (Christopher 7 and Elijah, born March 20, 2006).

Rumph Highlights

Four-time letterman at South Carolina (1991-94)...had 32 tackles in nine games in 1992...made his first career start in a win at Clemson in 1992...as a part-time starter in 1993, he totaled 41 tackles...had 52 tackles in 11 regular-season games as a senior in 1994 under Head Coach Brad Scott...worked as a graduate assistant coach at South Carolina in the spring of 1997...head coach at Calhoun County High School in Saint Matthews, SC from 1997-01; he also served as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks/running backs coach at Calhoun County High...coached one season (2002) at S.C. State, where he worked with defensive backs...coached outside linebackers for three seasons (2003-05) at Memphis under Head Coach Tommy West, who was Clemson's head coach in the 1990s...helped Memphis to bowl appearances in all three seasons, including bowl victories in 2003 and 2005...Memphis won 24 games in his three seasons...the 2003 Memphis defense was ninth in the nation in total defense...one of his 2003 players (Coot Terry) was an All-Conference USA selection...the 2003 Tiger team won nine games, including the New Orleans Bowl...the 2004 Memphis team defeated SEC-rival Mississippi for the second straight year...helped the 2005 defense to finish 23rd in the nation in turnover margin and lead the league in rushing yards allowed per game (125.6) and the 27th-best mark in the country...two of his 2005 players (Tim Goodwell and Carlton Baker) were the top-two tacklers on the defensive unit, as Goodwell led the team in tackles with 102 and Baker had 88, including a team-best five sacks...uncle of Tiger defensive lineman Phillip Merling and is Merling's position coach.

Dabo Swinney

- Wide Receivers
- 4th Season at Clemson
- 12th Season Overall
- Alabama '93
- Born November 20, 1969

Playing Experience
Lettered three years at Alabama (1990-92)...also a member of the 1988 and 1989 teams...member of the 1992 National Championship team...Academic All-SEC in 1990,92.

Bowl Participation as a Player
1990 Sugar Bowl...1991 Blockbuster Bowl...1991 Fiesta Bowl...1993 Sugar Bowl.

Education
B.S. degree in commerce & business administration from Alabama in 1993...master of business administration from Alabama in 1995.

Coaching Experience
Graduate assistant coach at Alabama (1993-95)...wide receivers/tight ends coach at Alabama (1996)...tight ends coach at Alabama (1997)...wide receivers coach at Alabama (1998-00)...wide receivers coach at Clemson (2003-05).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
1994 Gator Bowl...1995 Citrus Bowl...1997 Outback Bowl...1998 Music City Bowl...2000 Orange Bowl...2004 Peach Bowl...2005 Champs Sports Bowl.

Personal Data
Born November 20, 1969 in Birmingham, AL...married to the former Kathleen Bassett...the couple has three sons (Will 7, Drew 6, Clay 3).

Swinney Highlights

Walk-on who went on to earn a scholarship as a wide receiver at Alabama and lettered three times (1990-92)...member of Alabama's 1992 National Championship team under Gene Stallings...his position coach was Tommy Bowden in 1989 and former Tiger Assistant Coach Woody McCorvey from 1990 to 1992...a member of Sugar Bowl teams in 1990 and 1992 that won the SEC Championship...All-SEC Academic team and SEC Scholar Athlete Honor Roll member in both 1990 and 1992...coached four players at Alabama who have played in the NFL, including Freddie Milons, Alabama's all-time leading wideout in terms of receptions...Milons was an All-SEC selection in 1999 under the tutelage of Swinney...a part of six 10+ win seasons and five top-10 finishes at Alabama as a player and coach...coached in a total of five bowl games while at Alabama...highly-regarded recruiter who helped bring in 30 players during his coaching stint at Alabama...after his last season with the Crimson Tide in 2000, he was in private business in Alabama...coached All-ACC receiver Derrick Hamilton in 2003...his receivers contributed to Clemson's 3,687 receiving yards in 2003...in 2004, Airese Currie became the first Tiger in 24 years to lead the ACC in receptions per game; Currie had 61 receptions for 868 yards...in 2003, Currie set the single-game school record for receptions in a game (12) against Middle Tennessee...named one of the top-25 recruiters in the nation by Rivals.com in 2005 and was ranked #5 in 2006...coached First-Team All-ACC wide receiver Chansi Stuckey, who had a league-best 64 catches, in 2005...his receivers were a big reason Clemson set the school record with a 65.8 completion percentage in 2005. .first name is pronounced "DA-boh"...has three sons, Will (7), Drew (6), and Clay (3).

Ron West

- Outside Linebackers
- 8th Season at Clemson
- 28th Season Overall
- Clemson '79
- Born February 12, 1957

Playing Experience
A member of two Gator Bowl teams as a reserve offensive lineman for Clemson in 1977 and 1978.

Bowl Participation as a Player
1977 Gator Bowl...1978 Gator Bowl.

Education
B.A. degree in industrial education from Clemson in 1979.

Coaching Experience
Graduate assistant coach at Livingston (1979)...tight ends at East Carolina (Spring 1980)...offensive line coach at North Texas State (1980)...offensive line/special teams coach at Texas Tech (1981-84)...assistant linebackers coach at Texas Tech (1985)...defensive coordinator/inside linebackers coach at Louisiana-Lafayette (1986-91)...assistant head coach/defensive coordinator/inside linebackers coach at Louisiana-Lafayette (1992)...offensive line coach at Baylor (1993-96)...running game coordinator at Baylor (1996)...offensive line coach at Tulane (1997,98)...offensive line coach at Clemson (1999-03)...defensive line coach at Clemson (2004)...outside linebackers coach at Clemson (2005).

Bowl Seasons as an Assistant Coach
1994 Alamo Bowl...1998 Liberty Bowl...1999 Peach Bowl...2001 Gator Bowl...2001 Humanitarian Bowl...2002 Tangerine Bowl...2004 Peach Bowl...2005 Champs Sports Bowl.

Personal Data
Born February 12, 1957...married to the former Becky Horne...they have a son (Brad 23) and a daughter (Lori 20).

West Highlights

At Louisiana-Lafayette (1986-91), his defenses were among the nation's top 20 in total defense three times...his defense was in the top 25 nationally in at least one defensive category for six straight years...part of the Baylor team that won the 1994 conference title...under his guidance, the offensive line helped the Tulane offense produce almost 4,700 yards and a school-record 375 points in 1997; the offensive line gave up just 11 sacks...in 1998, the offensive line helped Tulane become the only school in the nation to average over 300 yards passing and 200 yards rushing in the regular season...despite the nation's smallest offensive line, Clemson averaged 403 yards in 1999, set 26 offensive records, and scored 42 touchdowns...transferred to Clemson from Marion Institute, where he was a junior college All-American. .coached three-time First-Team Academic All-American Kyle Young...Clemson ranked 10th in the nation in rushing in 2000...his offensive line paved the way for Woodrow Dantzler to become the first Division I player in NCAA history to pass for 2,000 yards and rush for 1,000 more in a season...moved from the offensive line to the defensive line in 2004...helped Clemson to an ACC-best 42 sacks in 2004...has coached defensive end Gaines Adams, one of the top prospects for the 2007 NFL Draft .was a common denominator on the offensive staff of three of the top five offenses in Tiger history...Clemson set over 150 records on offense the five years West was on the offensive staff...his son, Brad, is a Daniel High graduate and was a two-time football captain at Appalachian State.

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Memorial Stadium

"Death Valley"

Clemson Memorial Stadium has been held in high esteem for many years. Whether it be players from the 1940s and 1950s, opposing players from the 1970s and 1980s, or even professional players in the 1990s, the ambiance of this special setting is what college football is all about.

The storied edifice added to its legend when the first meeting of father and son head coaches (Bowden Bowl I) took place before a sellout crowd of more than 86,000 fans in 1999. Clemson has ranked in the top 20 in the nation in attendance 25 straight seasons. In 2005, the streak continued when Clemson averaged 78,232 fans per game.

The facility's mystique is derived from its many traditions, which date to its opening in 1942, the legendary games and players, and Clemson's corresponding rate of success. Clemson has won 231 games in 64 years there and has won over 70 percent of the contests (231-90-7). Forty times since 1983, a crowd has exceeded 80,000.

The stadium has definitely been good to the Tigers, but the stadium was constructed against the advice of at least one Clemson coach. Just before Head Coach Jess Neely left for Rice after the 1939 season, he gave Clemson a message.

"Don't ever let them talk you into building a big stadium," he said. "Put about 10,000 seats behind the YMCA. That's all you'll ever need".

Instead of following Coach Neely's advice, however, Clemson officials decided to build the new stadium in a valley on the western part of campus. The place would take some clearing-there were many trees, but luckily there were no hedges.

The crews went to work, clearing, cutting, pouring, and forming. Finally on September 19, 1942, Memorial Stadium opened with Clemson thrashing Presbyterian 32-13. Those 20,000 seats installed for Opening Day would soon grow.

When the original part of the stadium was built in the early 40's, much of the work was done by scholarship athletes, including many football players. The first staking out of the stadium was done by two members of the football team, A.N. Cameron and Hugh Webb. Webb returned to Clemson years later to be an architecture professor, and Cameron went on to become a civil engineer in Louisiana.

The building of the stadium did not proceed without problems. One day during the clearing of the land, one young player proudly announced that he was not allergic to poison oak. He then commenced to attack the poison oak with a swing blade, throwing the plants to and fro. The next day, the boy was swollen twice his size and was hospitalized.

There are many other stories about the sta-

dium, including one that Frank Howard put a chew of tobacco in each corner as the concrete poured.

Howard said that the seeding of the grass caused a few problems. "About 40 people and I laid sod on the field," he said. "After three weeks, on July 15, we had only gotten halfway through."

"I told them that it had taken us three weeks to get that far, and I would give them three more week's pay for however long it took. I also told them we would have 50 gallons of ice cream when we got through. After that it took them three days to do the rest of the field. Then we sat down in the middle of the field and ate up that whole 50 gallons."

Howard said that on the day of the first game in the stadium, "the gates were hung at 1:00 and we played at 2:00." But that would be all of the construction for a while. Then in 1958, 18,000 sideline seats were added and in 1960, 5,658 west endzone seats were added in response to increasing attendance. With the large endzone, "Green Grass" section, this expansion increased capacity to 53,000.

Later, upper decks were added to each side as crowds swelled - the first in 1978 and the second in '83. This increased capacity to over 80,000, which makes it one of the largest on-campus stadiums.

The effect spiraling inflation has had in this century can be dramatically seen in the differences in stadium construction. The original part of the stadium was built at a cost of $125,000 or at $6.25 a seat. The newest upper deck was finished in 1983 at a cost of $13.5 million, or $866 a seat.

Through the years, Memorial Stadium has become known as "Death Valley." It was tagged by the late Presbyterian Coach Lonnie McMillan. After bringing his teams to Clemson for years and getting whipped, he said the place was like "Death Valley." A few years later the name stuck.

In 1974, the playing surface was named Frank Howard Field for the legendary coach because of his long service and dedication to the University.

Luckily, the stadium wasn't built behind the Y.

Top Death Valley Crowds

Rk	Attendance	Date	Opponent	Score
1.	86,092	10-23-99	Florida State	14-17
2.	85,872	11-19-94	South Carolina	7-33
3.	85,187	11-18-00	South Carolina	16-14
4	85,036	11-3-01	Florida State	27-41
5.	84,869	10-20-01	North Carolina	3-38
6.	84,867	11-19-88	South Carolina	29-10
7.	84,576	9-17-88	Florida State	21-24
8.	84,423	11-21-98	South Carolina	28-19
9.	83,909	11-23-02	South Carolina	27-20
10.	83,823	11-17-90	South Carolina	24-15

Running Down The Hill

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What has been described as, "the most exciting 25 seconds in college football from a color and pageantry standpoint," actually started out as a matter-of-fact entrance, mainly because of necessity.

The first 20,000 seats in Memorial Stadium were built and ready for use before the 1942 season, less than a year after Pearl Harbor was bombed and the United States was drawn into World War II.

The shortest entry into the stadium was a short walk down Williamson Road from Fike Fieldhouse's dressing rooms to a gate at the top of the Hill, which is located behind the east endzone. There were no dressing facilities in the west endzone - there was only a big clock where the hands turned and a scoreboard, which was operated by hand.

The team would dress at Fike, walk down Williamson Road, come in the gate underneath where the scoreboard now stands and jog down the Hill for its warm-up exercises. There was no fanfare, no cannon shot fired, no Tiger Paw flag, no Tiger Rag played...just the team making its entrance and lining up to do the side-straddle hop.

That is pretty much the way things went for the next 25 years.

Either in 1964 or 1965, S.C. Jones, a member of the class of 1919, made a trip to California. He stopped at a spot in Death Valley, CA and picked up this white flint rock. He presented it to Head Coach Frank Howard as being from Death Valley, California to Death Valley, South Carolina."

The rock laid on the floor in Howard's office in Fike Fieldhouse for years. One day, he was cleaning up his office and he told Gene Willimon, who was executive secretary of IPTAY, to "take this rock and throw it over the fence, or out in the ditch...do something with it, but get it out of my office!"

Willimon did not think that was the way a rock should be treated. After all, it had been brought 3,000 miles by a very sincere Tiger fan.

By the mid-1960s, Memorial Stadium was living up to its moniker, Death Valley, because of the number of victories that had been recorded there. Actually, the name was first used by the late Lonnie McMillian, head coach at Presbyterian College in Clinton in the 1940s.

McMillian and the other Blue Hose coaches before him used to open each season by coming to Clemson. Seldom scoring (24 shutouts in 39 games) and with only three victories and four ties to show for it, his teams were getting "killed" by the Tigers regularly. In 1948, McMillian made the comment to the press that he was taking his team to play Clemson in Death Valley.

An occasional reference to Memorial stadium by that name could be heard for the next four years, but when Howard started calling it "Death Valley" in the 1950s, the name took off like wildfire. The Tigers celebrated the 60th year in the "Valley" in 2001.

But getting back to Howard's Rock.

The rock was mounted on a pedestal at the top of the Hill. It was unveiled September 24, 1966 on a day when Clemson played Virginia. The Tigers were down 18 points with 17 minutes to play and came back to win (40-35) on a 65-yard pass play from Jimmy Addison to Jacky Jackson in the fourth quarter. That was quite a spectacular debut for that rock.

The team members started rubbing the rock prior to running down the Hill on September 23, 1967, a day when Clemson defeated Wake Forest by a score of 23-6.

Prior to running down the Hill that day, Howard told his players, "If you're going to give me 110 percent, you can rub that rock. If you're not, keep your filthy hands off it."

Howard told of the incident the next day on his Sunday television show and the story became legend.

When Hootie Ingram succeeded Howard as head coach prior to the 1970 season, Ingram decided that the team would make its final entrance on the field out of the dressing room in the west endzone. In all home games in 1970 and 1971, and the first four games of 1972 when the Tigers did not run down the Hill, their combined record was 6-9. The team decided it wanted to come down the Hill once prior to the South Carolina game in 1972. The result, in a cold, freezing rain, was a 7-6 victory when Jimmy Williamson knocked down a two-point conversion attempt, which preserved the win.

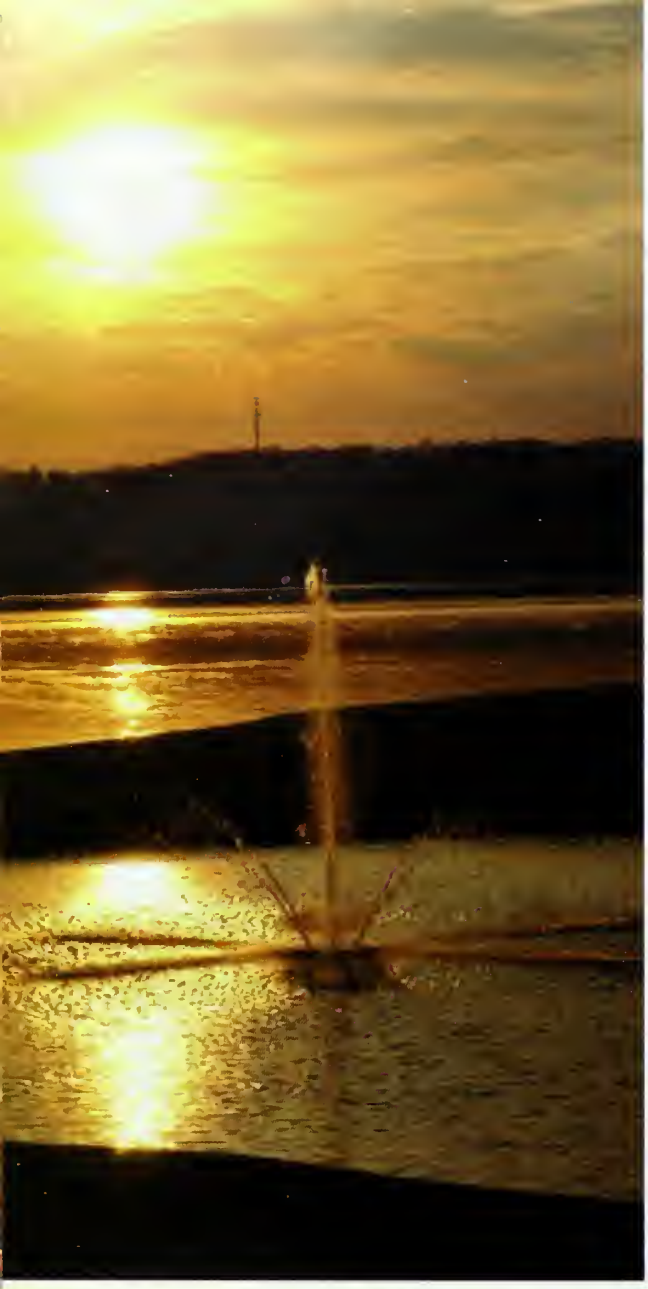
The Tigers have made the entrance for every home game since 1942, except for the seasons mentioned above - 313 times heading into the 2006 season.

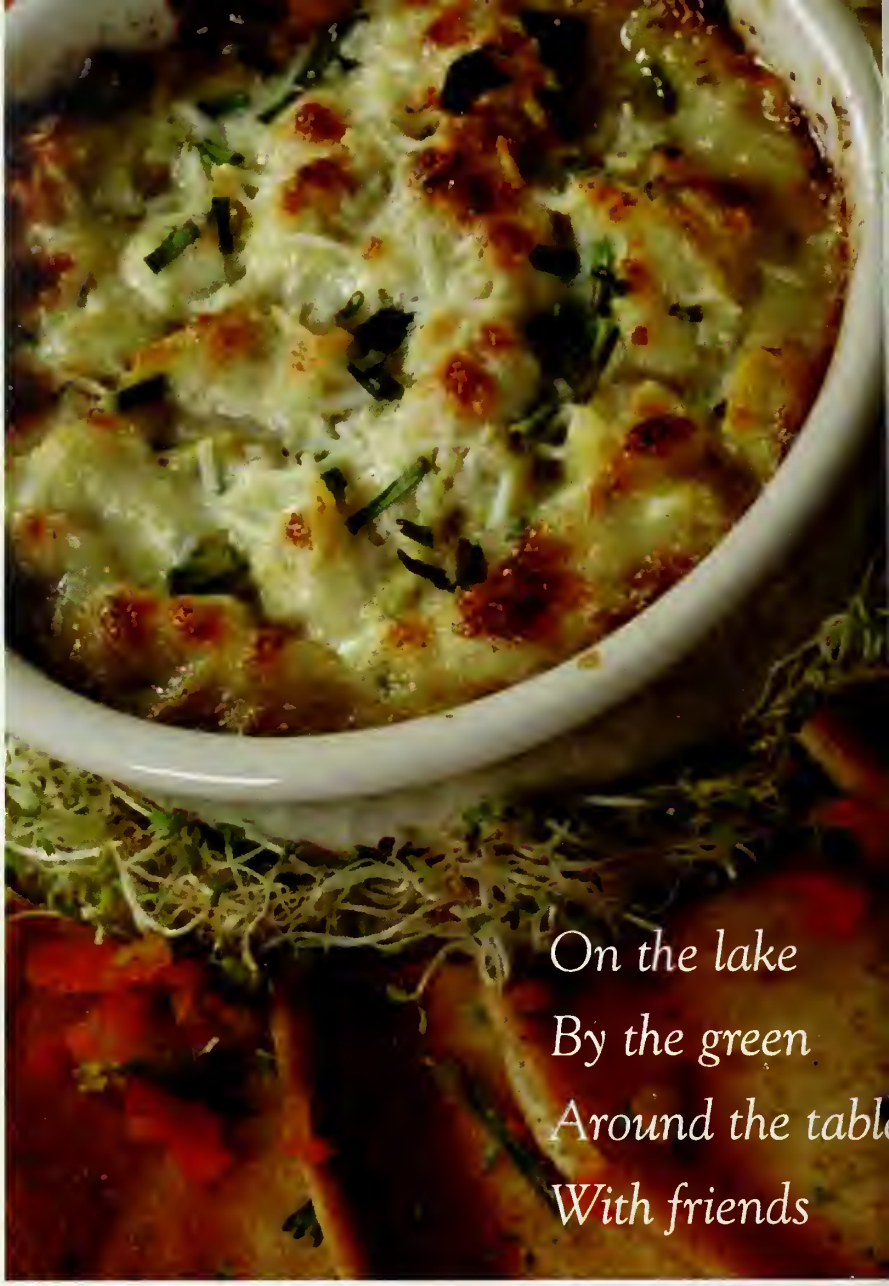
After final warmups, the team goes back into its dressing room under the west endzone stands for final game instructions. About 10 minutes before kickoff, the team boards two buses, rides around behind the north stands to the east endzone, and disembarks to the top of the Hill behind Howard's Rock.

At the appointed time, the cannon booms and led by a high-flying Tiger Paw flag, the band forms two lines for the team to run between and strikes up "Tiger Rag"...the frenzy starts in all sincerity and usually lasts for three hours.

It is a tradition that has inspired Clemson players for many years.

"The Rock has strange powers. When you rub it, and run down the Hill, the adrenaline flows. It's the most emotional experience I've ever had."
Six-time All-Pro and former Tiger All-American Michael Dean Perry





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Jim Stuckey
All-American, 1979

Tye Hill
All-American, 2005

Year	Player, Pos.	AP	UPI	FC	FW	WC	SN	FN	Other
1928	O.K. Pressley, C								Heisman (3), NEA (3)
1939	Banks McFadden, B	1	3	1	1				Colliers (1), NEA (1)
1940	Joe Blalock, E		2						Hearst (1)
1941	Joe Blalock, E		2		1			1	Central Press (1)
1945	Ralph Jenkins, C	3							INS (1)
1948	Bobby Gage, B								INS (1)
1950	Jackie Calvert, S	2							NEA (1)
1952	Tom Barton, OL		2						
1955	Joel Wells, RB		3						
1959	Lou Cordileone, OL	1				1			
1966	Wayne Mass, OL		2						Dell Sports (1)
1967	Harry Olszewski, OG	2	1	1	1	1	2		
1970	Dave Thompson, OG		2						NEA (1)
1974	Bennie Cunningham, TE	1	1	1			1		
1975	Bennie Cunningham, TE					1	1		Time (1)
1977	Joe Bostic, OG	3			1			3	
1978	Joe Bostic, OG	2	2					1	
	Jerry Butler, WR	1				1			NEA (2)
	Steve Fuller, OB	3							
1979	Jim Stuckey, DT	1	1		1		1		
1980	Obed Ariri, PK								NEA (2)
1981	Jeff Davis, LB	2	1	1	1	1		1	
	Terry Kinard, FS	1			1				NEA (1)
	Perry Tuttle, WR						1	2	
	Jeff Bryant, DT							2	
	Lee Nanney, OT		2						
1982	Terry Kinard, FS	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
	William Perry, MG	3							
	Johnny Rembert, LB	3						3	
1983	William Perry, MG	1	1		1	1		2	
	James Robinson, DT						2		
	James Farr, OG	3							
1984	William Perry, MG	3	1			1		1	
	Dale Hatcher, P						2		
	Donald Igwebuike, PK	3							
1985	Steve Reese, OG							2	
1986	Terrence Flagler, RB	3			1			3	
	John Phillips, OG		1				2	2	
1987	Michael Dean Perry, DT		2		1		2	2	
	John Phillips, OG	2						3	
	David Treadwell, PK	1	1	1		1	1	1	
	Donnell Woolford, CB	3		1			2		
1988	Donnell Woolford, CB		1	1	1	1	1	2	
1989	Stacy Long, OT	3					1		
	Chris Gardocki, PK	3							
1990	Stacy Long, OT	1	1	1	1		1	1	
	Chris Gardocki, PK	2	2					3	
	Levon Kirkland, LB	2	2					3	
1991	Jeb Flesch, OG	1	1			1	2	1	
	Levon Kirkland, LB		2	1		1	1	2	SH (1)
	Rob Bodine, MG	2			1		2		CP (2)
	Ed McDaniel, LB	3							CP (1)
1992	Stacy Seegars, OG	2	2					3	
	Nelson Welch, PK	3							
1993	Stacy Seegars, OG	1	2			1	1	1	CP (2)
1995	Brian Dawkins, S	2					2		
	Anthony Simmons, LB	3							
1996	Anthony Simmons, LB	3					1	2	
1997	Anthony Simmons, LB	1		1			1	2	CP (2)
	Jim Bundren, OT	3					3	2	
1998	Antwan Edwards, CB	3						3	Football Digest (1)
1999	Keith Adams, LB	2					3	1	CBS Sportsline (2)
2000	Keith Adams, LB	1				1	1	1	CNNSI (1)
	Kyle Young, C						3	2	
	Robert Carswell, FS	3					3		
	Rod Gardner, WR								Gannett (1), CP (1)
2001	Kyle Young, C						3	3	
2002	Brian Mance, CB						4		
2004	Leroy Hill, LB	3							Rivals (1)
	Justin Miller, KR							2	Rivals (2), CNNSI (2)
2005	Tye Hill, CB	2				1	1	2	Rivals (1), ESPN (1)

AP - **Associated Press**; UPI - **United Press International** (defunct in 1995); FC - Football Coaches; FW - Football Writers; WC - Walter Camp; SN - **Sporting News**; FN - **Football News**; NEA - Newspaper Enterprise of America; SH - Scripps-Howard; CP - **College & Pro Football Weekly**; INS - International News Service

AP All-Americans

Player, Pos.	Year
Banks McFadden, B	1939
Lou Cordileone, L	1959
Bennie Cunningham, TE	1974
Jerry Butler, WR	1978
Jim Stuckey, DT	1979
Terry Kinard, FS	1981
Terry Kinard, FS	1982
David Treadwell, PK	1987
Stacy Long, OT	1990
Jeb Flesch, OG	1991
Stacy Seegars, OG	1993
Anthony Simmons, LB	1997
Keith Adams, LB	2000

Note: First-team selections only.

Multi-Year A-As

Player, Pos.	Years
Joe Blalock, WR	1940,41
Bennie Cunningham, TE	1974,75
Joe Bostic, OG	1977,78
Terry Kinard, FS	1981,82
William Perry, MG	1982-84
John Phillips, OG	1986,87
Donnell Woolford, CB	1987,88
Stacy Long, OT	1989,90
Chris Gardocki, PK	1989,90
Levon Kirkland, LB	1990,91
Stacy Seegars, OG	1992,93
Anthony Simmons, LB	1995-97
Keith Adams, LB	1999,00
Kyle Young, C	2000,01

Pro Bowl Players

Michael Dean Perry
Six-Time Pro Bowl Selection

Pro Bowl Selections

Player, Pos.	Year	Team
Ray Mathews, HB	1952	Steelers
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Ray Mathews, HB	1955	Steelers
Bill Mathis, RB	1961	Jets
Bill Hudson, DT	1961	Chargers
Harold Olson, OT	1961	Bills
Bill Mathis, RB	1963	Jets
Charlie Waters, S	1976	Cowboys
Charlie Waters, S	1977	Cowboys
Charlie Waters, S	1978	Cowboys
Jerry Butler, WR	1980	Bills
Dwight Clark, WR	1981	49ers
Dwight Clark, WR	1982	49ers
Jeff Bostic, C	1983	Redskins
Kevin Mack, RB	1985	Browns
Dale Hatcher, P	1985	Rams
Kevin Mack, RB	1987	Browns
Johnny Rembert, LB	1988	Patriots
Terry Kinard, FS	1988	Giants
Michael Dean Perry, DT	1989	Browns
David Treadwell, PK	1989	Broncos
Johnny Rembert, LB	1989	Patriots
Michael Dean Perry, DT	1990	Browns
Michael Dean Perry, DT	1991	Browns
Michael Dean Perry, DT	1993	Browns
Donnell Woolford, CB	1993	Bears
Michael Dean Perry, DT	1994	Browns
Chester McGlockton, DT	1994	Raiders
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Michael Dean Perry, DT	1996	Broncos
Terry Allen, TB	1996	Redskins
Chris Gardocki, PK	1996	Colts
Levon Kirkland, LB	1996	Steelers
Levon Kirkland, LB	1997	Steelers
Chester McGlockton, DT	1997	Raiders
Ed McDaniel, LB	1998	Vikings
Trevor Pryce, DT	1999	Broncos
Brian Dawkins, FS	1999	Eagles
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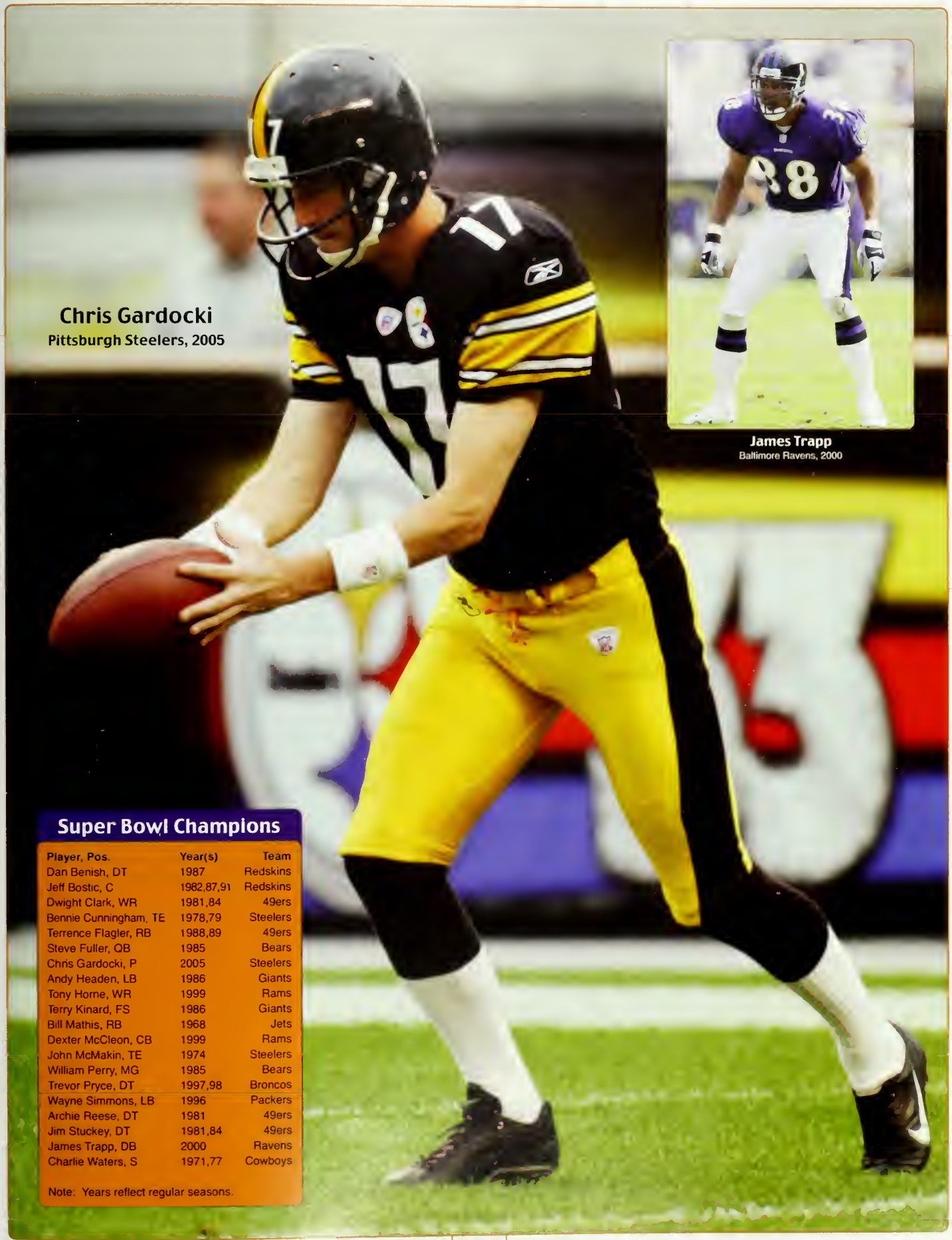
Brian Dawkins
Five-Time Pro Bowl Selection



Chris Gardocki
Pittsburgh Steelers, 2005

James Trapp
Baltimore Ravens, 2000

Super Bowl Champions

Player, Pos.	Year(s)	Team
Dan Benish, DT	1987	Redskins
Jeff Bostic, C	1982,87,91	Redskins
Dwight Clark, WR	1981,84	49ers
Bennie Cunningham, TE	1978,79	Steelers
Terrence Flagler, RB	1988,89	49ers
Steve Fuller, QB	1985	Bears
Chris Gardocki, P	2005	Steelers
Andy Headen, LB	1986	Giants
Tony Horne, WR	1999	Rams
Terry Kinard, FS	1986	Giants
Bill Mathis, RB	1968	Jets
Dexter McCleon, CB	1999	Rams
John McMakin, TE	1974	Steelers
William Perry, MG	1985	Bears
Trevor Pryce, DT	1997,98	Broncos
Wayne Simmons, LB	1996	Packers
Archie Reese, DT	1981	49ers
Jim Stuckey, DT	1981,84	49ers
James Trapp, DB	2000	Ravens
Charlie Waters, S	1971,77	Cowboys

Note: Years reflect regular seasons.

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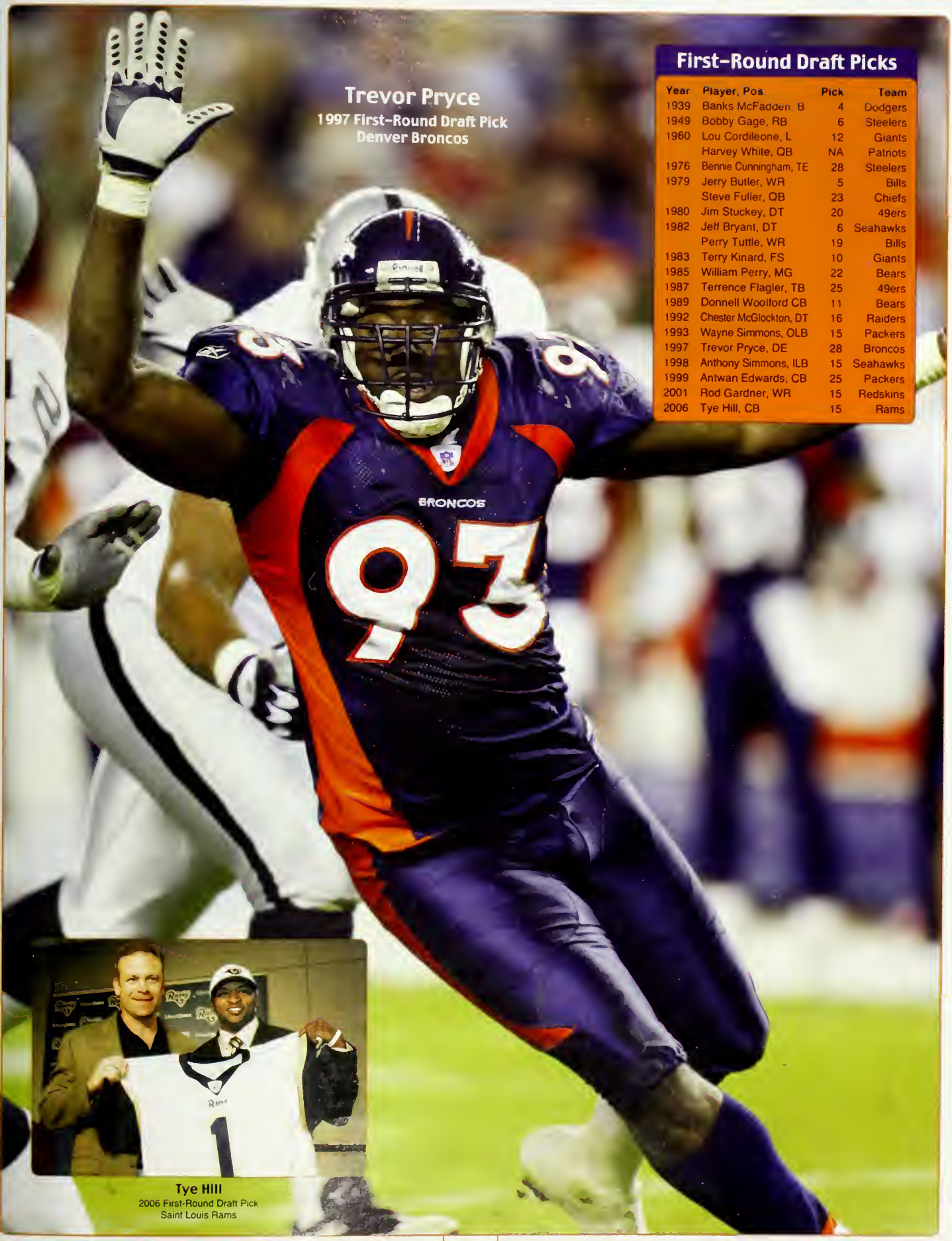

Trevor Pryce
1997 First-Round Draft Pick
Denver Broncos

Tye Hill
2006 First-Round Draft Pick
Saint Louis Rams

First-Round Draft Picks

Year	Player, Pos.	Pick	Team
1939	Banks McFadden, B	4	Dodgers
1949	Bobby Gage, RB	6	Steelers
1960	Lou Cordileone, L	12	Giants
	Harvey White, QB	NA	Patriots
1976	Bennie Cunningham, TE	28	Steelers
1979	Jerry Butler, WR	5	Bills
	Steve Fuller, QB	23	Chiefs
1980	Jim Stuckey, DT	20	49ers
1982	Jeff Bryant, DT	6	Seahawks
	Perry Tuttle, WR	19	Bills
1983	Terry Kinard, FS	10	Giants
1985	William Perry, MG	22	Bears
1987	Terrence Flagler, TB	25	49ers
1989	Donnell Woolford CB	11	Bears
1992	Chester McGlockton, DT	16	Raiders
1993	Wayne Simmons, OLB	15	Packers
1997	Trevor Pryce, DE	28	Broncos
1998	Anthony Simmons, ILB	15	Seahawks
1999	Antwan Edwards, CB	25	Packers
2001	Rod Gardner, WR	15	Redskins
2006	Tye Hill, CB	15	Rams

The West Zone Builder

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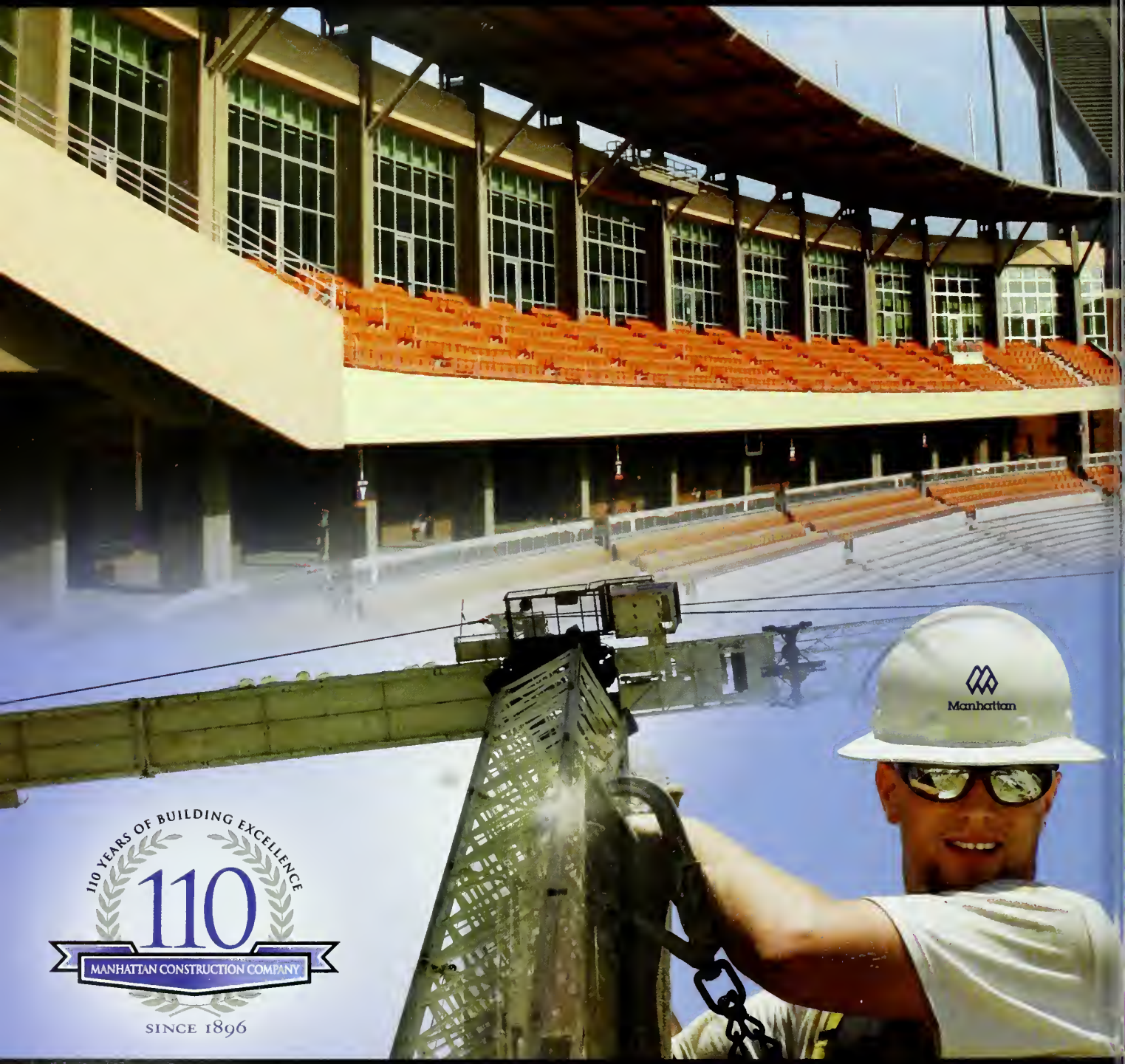

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A tradition since the 1970s, the "Tiger Tailgate Show" is a two-hour entertainment and interactive program. It is produced on the lawn of Littlejohn Coliseum (at the corner) closest to Death Valley.

The program begins three hours prior to kick-off. Bubba Britton, Marsha Byers, Duane Evans, Ben Milstead, Don Munson, and Whitney Walters will host the show. It is the gathering place on gameday. Interviews with former players, games, display items, and excitement are all part of the show.

Broadcast Team

Pete Yanity
Play-By-Play Announcer

- Named the play-by-play announcer after the sudden passing of Jim Phillips on September 9, 2003. Phillips was the Voice of the Tigers for 36 years.
- In his fifth year with the network. He served as sideline commentator during the 2002 season.
- Other duties include being sports director at WSPA-TV (Spartanburg/Greenville) since 1990, sideline work on the Panthers' preseason television network, and play-by-play and color analysis on selected games on Comcast/Charter Sports Southeast.
- 1985 graduate of Ohio University.
- Married to wife Kelly. The couple has two children, Paige and Trey.

Will Merritt
Color Commentator

- In his fifth year and third as color commentator.
- Worked the pregame and postgame shows in 2002, his first fall out of school.
- Provided color commentary on tape-delay broadcasts of selected Clemson games in 2002.
- Host of "The Morning Drive," a sports talk show that airs from 6:00 AM to 9:00 AM each morning on WCCP (104.9 FM) in Clemson.
- Second-Team All-ACC guard at Clemson in 2000,01.
- Member of All-ACC Academic team for three seasons.
- 2000 graduate of Clemson University.
- Married to wife Melissa. The couple has a daughter, Reagan.

Chad Carson
Sideline Commentator

- In his third full year as sideline commentator. Provided that role in 2003 for the South Carolina game that ended the regular season and the Peach Bowl, and all of 2004 and 2005.
- Three-time academic All-American as a linebacker (1999-01). Earned Second-Team All-ACC honors in 2001. One of only two three-time Academic All-Americans in Clemson football history.
- Finalist for a Rhodes Scholarship in 2001, the only Division I scholarship football player who made the final top 100. He was also the recipient of a 2001 Weaver-James-Corrigan Scholarship from the ACC.
- Clemson's top tackler in both 2000 and 2001, as he ended his career fourth in Tiger history in tackles (448). He started every game (36) his final three seasons.
- Works in real estate in the Upstate of South Carolina.

CTSN
CLEMSON TIGER SPORTS NETWORK

The game broadcast is anchored by Pete Yanity. The sports director at WSPA-TV in Spartanburg, SC took over in September, 2003 after the passing of Jim Phillips, who had been the longtime voice of the Tigers since 1968. Yanity has been a part of the broadcast team since 2001 as the host of the pregame, halftime, and postgame shows, and as the sideline reporter during games.

Yanity has been the sports director at WSPA-TV in Spartanburg the last 16 years. He has also been a sideline analyst for 10 years on Carolina Panther preseason football games and has considerable play-by-play experience for Comcast Sports Southeast, covering various college events, including Tiger football and baseball. Yanity is also the voice of Tiger basketball and the host of the Tommy Bowden and Oliver Purnell Television Shows.

Joining Yanity in the booth is former Clemson offensive lineman Will Merritt, who played for the Tigers from 1998-01. He was a starter in 2000 and 2001 when he was named Second-Team All-ACC.

Merritt worked on the Clemson radio network pregame and postgame shows during the 2002 season. He also provided color commentary on the television tape-delay broadcasts of selected 2002 games. In 2003, he became the color analyst of the gameday broadcasts. The native of Easley, SC is the host of "The Morning Drive," a sports talk show that airs each morning on WCCP (104.9 FM) in Clemson.

Former Clemson Academic All-American linebacker Chad Carson completes the broadcast team as the sideline commentator. Carson served in that capacity for the final two games of 2003, and all of 2004 and 2005. Carson is fourth in Clemson history in career tackles and was a starter on Tommy Bowden's first three Tiger teams.

As has been the case in the past, the gameday broadcast begins with the Tommy Bowden Pregame Show. Bowden meets with Sports Information Director Tim Bourret to provide Clemson fans with the latest lineup and strategy information. Yanity and Merritt also provide a last-minute scene-setter that includes the latest lineup and weather information.

After the game, fans can tune into the "Fifth Quarter Show," hosted by Ralph Patterson and Munson, or attend the show live from the Wild Wing Cafe in downtown Greenville, SC. Interviews with Coach Bowden and Assistant Coaches Rob Spence and Vic Koenning are also included. An added feature includes locker room interviews with Clemson's top players that day. A rundown of the game stats and audio highlights are provided.

Fans can follow the Tigers by listening to "Tiger Calls" each Thursday evening with Bowden and Don Munson from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The shows will air live from several Ingles grocery stores in the Clemson area.

The Clemson Tiger Sports Network also produces the Tommy Bowden Television Show, a recap of the previous game's highlights. Yanity serves as the host of this program that gives fans insight into the coaches' decisions during the previous game and takes an up close look at your favorite players.

For more information, contact Robert Gahagan (General Manager), Don Williams (Sales & Operations), or Matt Wrynn (Account Executive) at Clemson Tiger Sports Properties, P.O. Box 552, Clemson, SC 29633-0552, or by phone at (864) 654-5544 and via fax at (864) 654-5509.

Radio Affiliates

Location	Station	On the Dial
Augusta, GA	WGOR	102.7 FM
Barnwell, SC	WDOG	1460 AM
Camden, SC	WCAM	1590 AM
Camden, SC	WPUB	102.7 FM
Charleston, SC	WOSC	1340 AM
Charleston, SC	WQTK	950 AM
Clemson, SC	**WCCP**	**104.9 FM**
Clinton, SC	WPCC	1410 AM
Columbia, SC	WOIC	1230 AM
Columbia, SC	WZMJ	93.1 FM
Gaffney, SC	WAGI	105.3 FM
Greenville, SC	WTPT	93.3 FM
Greenwood, SC	WHZO	94.1 FM
Hampton, SC	WBHZ	92.1 FM
Hilton Head, SC	WFXH	1130 AM
Murrells Inlet, SC	WIOB	1050 AM
Myrtle Beach, SC	WJXY	93.9 FM
Myrtle Beach, SC	WXJY	93.7 FM
Newberry, SC	WKDK	1240 AM
Rock Hill, SC	WRHI	1340 AM
Sumter, SC	WDKD	1310 AM
Sumter, SC	WWBD	95.7 FM
Sumter, SC	WWKT	1240 AM
Woodruff, SC	WDRF	1510 AM

* - airs select games; Note: Flagship station in **bold**.

Bowden TV Show Affiliates

Coach's Show (Sunday Airings)

Location	Network	Time
Augusta, GA	Comcast (6)	10:30 PM
Charleston, SC	WTAT (FOX 24)	11:00 AM
Columbia, SC	WOLO (ABC 25)	12:00 PM
Greenville, SC	WASV (UPN 62)	12:00 PM
Myrtle Beach, SC	WFXB (FOX 43)	11:30 AM

Coach's Show (Weekday Airings)

Location	Network	Day	Time
Hilton Head, SC	WHHI (3)	Wed.	9:30 PM
Rock Hill, SC	Tri-County (14)	Tue.	7:30 PM
Rock Hill, SC	Tri-County (14)	Tue.	11:30 PM
Rock Hill, SC	Tri-County (14)	Wed.	7:30 PM
Rock Hill, SC	Tri-County (14)	Wed.	11:30 PM
Southeast	CSS	Sun.	10:30 PM
Southeast	C-SET	Thu.	3:30 PM
Southeast	FSNS	Fri.	1:00 PM

FSNS - Fox Sports Net South; CSS - Comcast/Charter Sports Southeast; Note: All times are Eastern.

"Tiger Calls" Schedule

8/31	Clemson
9/7	Anderson (Hwy 81)
9/14	Walhalla
9/21	Seneca
9/28	Pickens
10/5	Easley (Hwy 123)
10/9	Seneca
10/19	Anderson (Hwy 76)
10/23	Pickens
11/2	Liberty
11/9	Easley (Hwy 8)
11/16	Anderson (Hwy 76)
11/20	Clemson

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Remembering 1981 Tiger Lettermen

25th Anniversary of the 1981 National Championship Team

By Tim Bourret

In celebration of the 25th anniversary of Clemson's 1981 National Championship season, we have recalled the careers of all the lettermen for the Tigers that season. This is the last installment of the series, which includes the final 11 players who lettered on that team.

#67 Jim Scott • DT

Scott was a defensive tackle from Alexandria, VA who was a reserve in 1981. He had just 11 tackles in nine games that year, but went on to become a two-year starter in 1981 and 1982. He had 53 tackles and eight tackles for loss, including six sacks in 1982, then had 35 tackles in 11 games in 1983.

Scott was known as a big-play guy. He had 100 tackles in his career, but 15 were tackles for loss and nine were sacks. In fact, Scott had one more sack than William Perry had in 1982 when Perry was an All-American.

#84 Bill Smith • DE

Smith is one of the most successful lettermen from the 1981 National Championship team. He has been successful in the real estate world near Columbia, and now serves on the Clemson University Board of Trustees.

Smith was one of the leaders of the 1981 Tiger defense that was second in the nation in scoring defense. He had an injured-plagued career, and injuries even effected his red-shirt senior season when he missed the first two games. But, he saved his best game for the last when he had a career-high 10 tackles in the Orange Bowl win over Nebraska.

The most memorable single play of his career might have come against Virginia in 1980 when he recovered a blocked punt and ran 11 yards for his only career touchdown in Clemson's come-from-behind-win in Charlottesville.

#15 Jeff Stockstill • WR

Stockstill had just four catches for 81 yards during the 1981 season, but his image is seen whenever the national championship clinching victory over Nebraska is replayed on **ESPN Classic**. An ingenious fellow by nature, Stockstill ran right to Head Coach Danny Ford after the Tigers clinched the victory and is in every picture with Ford during the postgame victory-ride for the Tiger head coach.

Stockstill, whose brother Rick was a long-time assistant at Clemson and is now the head coach at Middle Tennessee, was the leading receiver on the 1982 team that finished ranked #8 in the nation with a 9-1-1 record. He had 25 catches that year, which would be comparable to a 50-catch season by today's standards.

#23 Jeff Suttle • SS

Suttle was a sophomore reserve safety on the 1981 team who had 31 tackles by season's end, second among non-starters that season. He played in every game but one that season, missing the N.C. State game due to the flu.

Suttle had his best game of the year against Virginia when he had five tackles, two tackles for loss, a sack, and an interception. His film grade was 110 percent, high among Tigers that day.

But, for this native of Lafayette, GA, his highlight of 1981 came in the win over Georgia. He had a recovered fumble in that game, one of nine turnovers forced by the Tiger defense that day.

#82 Danny Triplett • LB

Triplett was a consistent player who did not get a lot of publicity during the 1981 season, but he was the fourth-leading tackler on the awesome Clemson defense with 86 tackles. The native of North Carolina was topped only by three All-Americans on that tackle chart (Jeff Davis, Terry Kinard, Jeff Bryant).

He suffered a knee injury late in the year or he might have had even a higher ranking on the tackle chart. His best game was against Georgia that year when he had 11 tackles. It was Triplett (not Kinard, Davis, or Bryant) who was named ACC Defensive Player-of-the-Week in that 13-3 win.

Triplett has had a career in the coaching profession at the high school and college level.

#22 Perry Tuttle • WR

Tuttle adorned the cover of **Sports Illustrated** after Clemson's National Championship clinching win over Nebraska. His reaction after his touchdown catch from Homer Jordan in the second half is the only time an active Tiger athlete has been on the cover of **Sports Illustrated**.

Tuttle had 52 of Clemson's 112 receptions that year. Today, he would have had 80 for over 1,200 yards. It is amazing he had the year he had, because opposing defenses knew Jordan would be looking for him at every key moment.

Tuttle was a first-team All-American in 1981, and he later went on to play in the NFL and CFL. He now has a marketing company in Charlotte, NC.

#91 Mike Wade • DE

Wade holds a distinction among 1981 lettermen. He is the first former player to send his offspring to Clemson on a football scholarship. His son Michael is red-shirting this season as a freshman quarterback.

Wade was a reserve defensive end on the 1981 team who played sparingly. He was listed at second team after 1980 spring practice. Wade later married his wife Elizabeth, who was a member of the Clemson volleyball team.

#49 Ronald Watson • DB

There were not a lot of first-year freshmen who lettered on the 1981 team, but Watson was one of them. He had come to Clemson as a running back from Jefferson, GA, but he soon became a reliable, hard-hitting safety.

Watson played in six games that year on special teams and made three tackles, but by his junior year, he was one of the top defensive backs in the ACC. He had 78 tackles in 1983 on Clemson's 9-1-1 team, then had 92 tackles in 1984 as a senior when he was second on the team in tackles behind William Perry.

#65 Scott Weeks • OG

Weeks was a guard from Jackson, SC. Prior to William Perry's arrival, he wore #66. When Perry asked for that number, he gave it up and took #65. Weeks saw action in four games in 1981 as a reserve offensive guard behind some very good offensive linemen.

Weeks was a reason Clemson had such a strong ground game, as he was able to spell the starting linemen and help the Tigers average nearly 400 yards per game.

#50 Scott Williams • C

Williams was one of the Tigers' top long snappers of all-time. First of all, think back to how many blocked kicks or botched extra points Clemson had between 1981-84. Clemson's starting kickers Bob Paulling and Donald Igwebuike were All-America quality in 1981, as was then-freshman punter Dale Hatcher.

Williams should get some of the credit for their success. When he was a senior, Igwebuike and Hatcher were both All-Americans, one of just two seasons in school history that Clemson has had an All-America kicker and punter in the same year.

#80 Jim Wurst • TE

Wurst was a reserve tight end on the 1981 team. The native of Atlanta, GA played in nine games that year, including a 48-play performance in the win over Maryland. Tight ends did not catch many passes in that era, as they were used as blockers for running backs Cliff Austin, Chuck McSwain, Jeff McCall, and Kevin Mack. A four-year letterman, Wurst earned his degree in agricultural engineering, the only letterman on the 1981 team to major in that academic discipline.

Tim Bourret is Clemson's Sports Information Director and is in his 29th year at Clemson.

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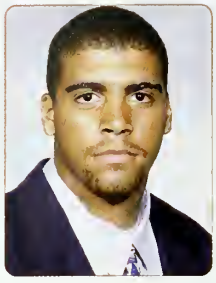
#93 Gaines Adams
DE • *Sr.
Greenwood, SC

#65 Thomas Austin
OG • *Fr.
Camden, SC



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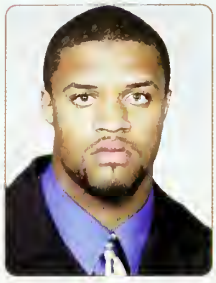

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Lithonia, GA

#67 Christian Capote
OT • *Jr.
Miami, FL

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OG • Sr.
Scott Depot, WV

#27 Sadat Chambers
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Pageland, SC

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Miramar, FL

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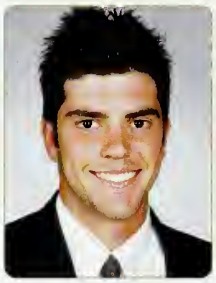
RB • *Fr.
Miramar, FL



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Roswell, GA

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Jeffersonville, GA

#22 Chris Clemons
S • *So.
Arcadia, FL

#3 Duane Coleman
CB • *Sr.
Naples, FL

#33 Kavell Conner
LB • *Fr.
Richmond, VA

#21 Brandon Croley
S • *So.
Jacksonville, FL

#1 James Davis
RB • So.
Atlanta, GA

#7 Jad Dean
PK • Sr.
Greenwood, SC

#73 Tim DeBeer
OT • *Sr.
Atlanta, GA

#85 Andrew Diomande
WR • *So.
Miami, FL

#75 Marion Dukes
OT • Sr.
Pickens, SC

#99 Etta Etta-Tawo
DT • *Fr.
Powder Springs, GA

#12 C.J. Gaddis, DB

#83 Nelson Faerber
WR • *So.
Duluth, GA

#62 Dustin Fry
C • *Sr.
Summerville, SC

#72 Roman Fry
OL • *Sr.
Ironton, OH

#56 Elsmore Gabriel
DT • *Fr.
Brooklyn, NY

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Raeford, NC

#15 Sergio Gilliam
CB • Sr.
Greer, SC

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OG • *Fr.
Mullins, SC

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TE • *Jr.
Conyers, GA

#13 Tyler Grisham
WR • So.
Birmingham, AL

#25 Michael Hamlin
S • *So.
Timmonsville, SC

#10 Cullen Harper
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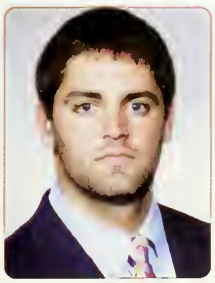
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WR • *So.
Marietta, GA

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OT • *Fr.
Greenville, SC

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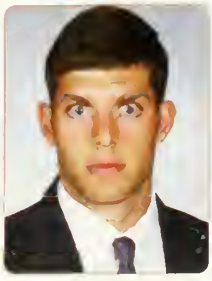
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New Ellenton, SC

#68 Chris McDuffie
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Danville, VA

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#9 Ray Ray McElrathbey
CB • *Fr.
Atlanta, GA

#50 Jock McKissic
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Opelika, AL

#94 Phillip Merling
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Memphis, TN

#37 Reggie Merriweather
RB • *Sr.
North Augusta, SC

#47 Josh Miller
LB • So.
Manning, SC

#57 Antwon Murchison
DT • *Fr.
Aberdeen, NC

#42 Maurice Nelson
LB • *Jr.
Rembert, SC

#41 Alex Pearson
FB • *So.
Greenville, SC

#74 Brandon Pilgrim
OG • *Jr.
Lilburn, GA

#14 Will Proctor
QB • *Sr.
Winter Park, FL

#11 Tribble Reese
QB • *So.
Mountain Brook, AL

#79 Barry Richardson
OT • Jr.
Mount Pleasant, SC

#42 Maurice Nelson, LB

#59 Nic Riddle
LS • *Sr.
Ladson, SC

#84 Akeem Robinson
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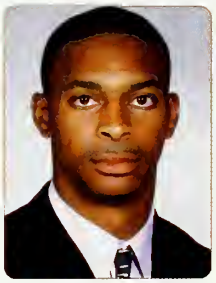

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Warner Robins, GA

#5 Rendrick Taylor
WR • So.
Clio, SC

#58 Taylor Tremel
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Lake Mary, FL

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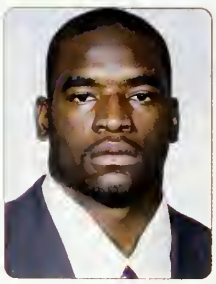
LB • *So.
Allendale, SC

#17 Roy Walker
S • *Jr.
Oglethorpe, GA



#40 Anthony Waters
LB • *Sr.
Lake View, SC

#32 Nick Watkins
LB • *Jr.
New Orleans, LA

#98 Kwam Williams
DE • *Jr.
Atlanta, GA

Tiger Rookies

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#51 Eddie Adams
LS · Fr.
Abbeville, SC

#24 Kevin Alexander
LB · Fr.
Raiford, FL

#18 Crezdon Butler
CB · Fr.
Asheville, NC

#48 Jeremy Campbell
LB · Fr.
Port Orange, FL

#8 Jamie Cumbie
DE · Fr.
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Royal Palm Beach, FL

#20 Darius Gaither
S · Fr.
Ridgeway, SC

#61 Chris Hairston
OT · Fr.
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#19 Richard Jackson
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Bamberg, SC

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RB · Fr.
Lake Butler, FL

#16 Michael Wade
QB · Fr.
Greer, SC

Tiger Cheerleaders

Kneeling (left to right): Jerel Goddard, Adam Britton, Danielle Hulsey, Taylor Hines, Katie Jackson, Ryan Brown, Michelle McDonough, Rusty Senn, Cade MacGregor, James Wiseman, Derry Steer. **Sitting:** Ashley Buckner, Katey Andrews, Kat Majester, Jessie Rabun, Callie Sherard, Michelle Zakin, Chelsea Baltz, Danielle Jones. **Standing:** Scott Ingle, Rachel Maloch, David Jimenez, Holly Brainard, Tim Carter, James Breaux, J.D. Taylor. **Not Pictured:** Day Burruss, Drew Dodson, Kenny Heaton, Josh Ladson, Jen Settle, Ryan Sunquist.

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#36 Terrance Ashe
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Cheraw, SC

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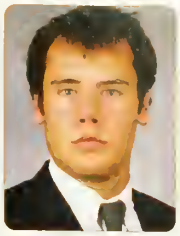
DT · Jr.
Summerville, SC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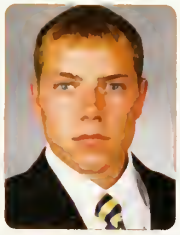
Easley, SC

#16 Kyle Davisson
WR · *So.
Alpharetta, GA

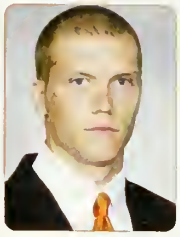

#92 John Early
PK · So.
Darlington, SC

#22 Bradley Flowers
WR · Jr.
Hartsville, SC

#46 Terrance Odom
CB · So.
Williston, SC

#46 Brandon Oliver
LB · *So.
Summerton, SC

#52 Charles Roediger
LS · *So.
Advance, NC


#86 Brian Sorrells
WR · *Jr.
Sumter, SC

#12 Brandon Speweik
OB · So.
Oregon, OH

#45 Preston Stone
TE · So.
Arlington, TX

#19 Chris Wade
WR · *Jr.
Newnan, GA

#46 Britton Whetsell
LB · *So.
Bowman, SC

Tiger Reserves Numerical Roster

#	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.	Hometown	High School or Junior College	Major
12	Brandon Speweik	OB	6-1	200	So.	Oregon, OH	Saint Francis de Sales HS	Pre-Business
16	Kyle Davisson	WR	6-1	195	*So.	Alpharetta, GA	Milton HS	Management
19	Chris Wade	WR	5-10	170	*Jr.	Newnan, GA	East Coweta HS	Financial Management
22	Bradley Flowers	WR	5-8	180	Jr.	Hartsville, SC	Hartsville HS	Health Science
36	Terrance Ashe	WR	6-1	185	So.	Cheraw, SC	Cheraw HS	Undeclared
45	Preston Stone	TE	6-3	240	So.	Arlington, TX	Arlington Lamar HS	Animal & Veterinary Sciences
46	Britton Whetsell	LB	6-2	210	*So.	Bowman, SC	Orangeburg Prep School	Construction Science & Management
46	Terrance Odom	CB	5-10	180	So.	Williston, SC	Williston Elko HS	General Engineering
46	Brandon Oliver	LB	6-1	225	*So.	Summerton, SC	Scott's Branch HS	Pre-Business
52	Bryan Baker	DT	6-3	240	Jr.	Summerville, SC	Summerville HS	Wildlife & Fisheries Biology
52	Charles Roediger	LS	6-0	205	*So.	Advance, NC	Forsyth Country Day School	Sport Management
86	Brian Sorrells	WR	6-0	190	*Jr.	Sumter, SC	Sumter HS	Marketing
88	Ryan Cook	TE	6-5	250	*Jr.	Easley, SC	Easley HS	Biological Sciences
92	John Early	PK	5-9	175	So.	Darlington, SC	Darlington HS	Biological Sciences

* - has spent one season as a red-shirt player

Alphabetical Roster

#	Player	Pos.	Cl.
36	Terrance Ashe	WR	So.
52	Bryan Baker	DT	Jr.
88	Ryan Cook	TE	*Jr.
16	Kyle Davisson	WR	*So.
92	John Early	PK	So.
22	Bradley Flowers	WR	Jr.
46	Terrance Odom	CB	So.
46	Brandon Oliver	LB	*So.
52	Charles Roediger	LS	*So.
86	Brian Sorrells	WR	*Jr.
12	Brandon Speweik	OB	So.
45	Preston Stone	TE	So.
19	Chris Wade	WR	*Jr.
46	Britton Whetsell	LB	*So.

Tiger Rally Cats

Kneeling (left to right): Jennifer Jordan, Stephanie Barnes, Cristin May, Sarah Traylor, Lauren Nelson, Cory O'Tuel, Katie Dixon. **Standing:** Jessica Tolley, Mollie McPhail, Keri Miller, Brittany Williams, Vickie Morgan, Mallory Mitchell, Aria Webber Jessica Kurtz, Janelle Shoop, Megan Langworthy, Katie Horton, Jessica Teague.

South Carolina

Gamecocks

Williams-Brice Stadium

Steve Spurrier
Head Coach

School Information

Location:	Columbia, SC
Enrollment:	23,700
Nickname:	Gamecocks
Colors:	Garnet & Black
Conference:	Southeastern
Home Field (Capacity):	Williams-Brice Stadium (80,250)
President:	Dr. Andrew Sorensen
Athletic Director:	Eric Hyman
First Year of Football:	1892
Athletic Website:	USCSports.com

Coaching Staff

Head Coach:	Steve Spurrier (Florida)
Record at School Entering 2006 (Seasons):	7-5 (1)
Career Record Entering 2006 (Seasons):	149-45-2 (16)

Assistant Coach	Position(s)	Alma Mater
Ron Cooper	AHC, DB	Jacksonville State '83
Fred Chatham	ST, TE	North Carolina '74
Tyrone Nix	DC, ILB	Southern Mississippi '95
Robert Gillespie	RB	Florida '05
John Hunt	OL	Florida '85
Brad Lawing	DL	Lenoir-Rhyne '79
David Reaves	QB	Appalachian State '01
Steve Spurrier, Jr.	WR	Duke '94
Dave Wommack	OLB	Missouri Southern '78

Team Information

Offensive Formation:	Multiple
Defensive Formation:	Multiple
Lettermen Returning/Lost:	40/24
Starters Returning/Lost:	10/14

#8 Fred Bennett, CB

#8 Fred Bennett
CB • Sr.
Manning, SC

#80 Andy Boyd
TE • *Sr.
Concord, NC

#3 Cory Boyd
RB • *Jr.
Orange, NJ

#51 Casper Brinkley
DE • Jr.
Thomson, GA

#52 Jasper Brinkley
LB • Jr.
Thomson, GA

#82 Freddie Brown III
WR • *Fr.
Duncan, SC

#71 William Brown
OG • *Jr.
Boonville, NC

#55 Thomas Coleman
OG • *Sr.
Johnston, SC

#21 Emanuel Cook
ROV • Fr.
Riviera Beach, FL

#84 Jared Cook
TE • *Fr.
Suwanee, GA

#29 Ike Crofoot
LS • Sr.
Windermere, FL

#25 Mike Davis
RB • So.
Columbia, SC

#66 Hutch Eckerson
OT • Fr.
Lumberton, NC

#69 Seth Edwards
OG • *Sr.
Charlotte, NC

#33 Chris Hampton
ROV • Jr.
Memphis, TN

#94 Lemuel Jeanpierre
DT • *Fr.
Orlando, FL

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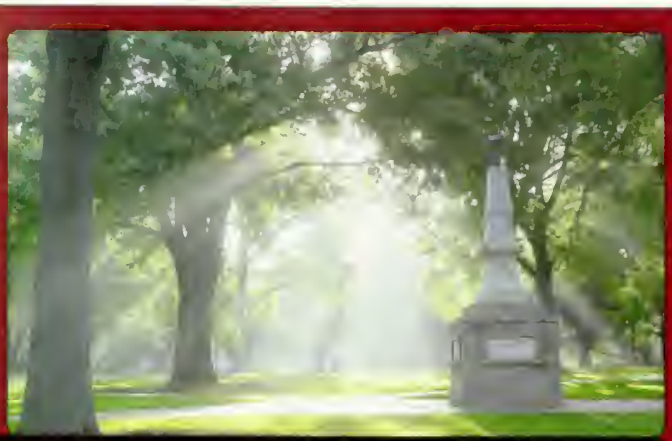

The Horseshoe

#11 Kenny McKinley
WR · So.
Mableton, GA

#77 Jamon Meredith
OT · *So.
Simpsonville, SC

#12 Blake Mitchell
QB · *Jr.
LaGrange, GA

#1 Captain Munnerlyn
CB · Fr.
Mobile, AL

#13 Syvelle Newton
FS/QB · Sr.
Wallace, SC

#40 Eric Norwood
DE · Fr.
Acworth, GA

#45 Rodney Paulk
LB · Fr.
Columbia, SC

#95 Nathan Pepper
DT · So.
Greenville, SC

#98 Joel Reaves
NT · Jr.
Marion, SC

#4 Sidney Rice
WR · *So.
Gaffney, SC

#53 Marvin Sapp
LB · *So.
Jacksonville, FL

#78 Justin Sorensen
OT · *So.
Vancouver Island, British Columbia

#39 Lanard Stafford
FB · *Jr.
Hemingway, SC

#14 Ryan Succop
P/PK · So.
Hickory, NC

#5 Carlos Thomas
CB · So.
College Park, GA

#24 Cody Wells
LB · *Jr.
Belleview, FL

#12 Blake Mitchell, QB

#23 Mike West
WR · *Jr.
Ocala, FL

#60 Chris White
C · *Sr.
Chester, SC

#10 Noah Whiteside
WR · Sr.
Greenville, SC

#36 Stoney Woodson
FS · *So.
Tampa, FL

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51	Adams, Eddie	LS	6-2	260	Fr.	Abbeville, SC (Greenwood HS) • Undeclared
93	Adams, Gaines	DE	6-5	260	*Sr.	Greenwood, SC (Cambridge Academy) • Sport Management
24	Alexander, Kevin	LB	6-3	230	Fr.	Raiford, FL (Union County HS) • Community Recreation, Sport, & Camp Management
65	Austin, Thomas	OG	6-4	305	*Fr.	Camden, SC (Camden HS) • Political Science
82	Barry, Durrell	TE	6-4	250	*Fr.	North Charleston, SC (Fort Dorchester HS) • Sociology
63	Bennett, Nathan	OG	6-5	310	*Sr.	Dallas, GA (Paulding County HS) • Sport Management
20	Billie, Tramaine	LB	6-1	210	Sr.	Eastover, SC (Dreher HS) • Community Recreation Management
18	Butler, Crezdon	CB	6-0	185	Fr.	Asheville, NC (Asheville HS) • Graphic Communications
48	Campbell, Jeremy	LB	6-2	215	Fr.	Port Orange, FL (Spruce Creek HS) • Undeclared
95	Cannon, Brandon	DE	6-3	255	*Gr.	Lithonia, GA (Stephenson HS) • Sociology
67	Capote, Christian	OT	6-4	295	*Jr.	Miami, FL (Miami Killian HS) • Health Science
53	Carey, Chris	OG	6-4	260	Sr.	Scott Depot, WV (Winfield HS) • Psychology
27	Chambers, Sadat	LB/S	5-11	190	*Fr.	Pageland, SC (Central HS) • Pre-Business
38	Chancellor, Chris	CB	5-9	170	*Fr.	Miramar, FL (Miami Edison HS) • Sport Management
39	Chancellor, Demerick	RB	6-0	205	*Fr.	Miramar, FL (Miami Edison HS) • Travel & Tourism
30	Chason, Cole	P	6-0	170	*Gr.	Roswell, GA (Greater Atlanta Christian School) • Community Recreation, Sport, & Camp Management
44	Clark, Donnell	DT	6-3	270	*Sr.	Griffin, GA (Griffin HS) • Travel & Tourism
43	Clay, Antonio	LB	6-0	220	So.	Jeffersonville, GA (Twiggs County HS) • Undeclared
22	Clemons, Chris	S	6-1	205	*So.	Arcadia, FL (DeSoto HS) • Community Recreation Management
3	Coleman, Duane	CB	5-11	195	*Sr.	Naples, FL (Naples HS) • Human Resource Development
33	Conner, Kavell	LB	6-2	230	*Fr.	Richmond, VA (Manchester HS) • Sociology
21	Croley, Brandon	S	6-0	190	*So.	Jacksonville, FL (First Coast HS) • Human Resource Development
8	Cumbie, Jamie	DE	6-7	265	Fr.	Morris, IL (Morris HS) • Undeclared
1	Davis, James	RB	5-11	205	So.	Atlanta, GA (Douglass HS) • Sociology
7	Dean, Jad	PK	5-11	205	Sr.	Greenwood, SC (Greenwood HS) • Management
73	DeBeer, Tim	OT	6-6	280	*Sr.	Atlanta, GA (Marist HS) • Construction Science & Management
85	Diomande, Andrew	WR	6-1	200	*So.	Miami, FL (Christopher Columbus HS) • Pre-Business
75	Dukes, Marion	OT	6-4	320	Sr.	Pickens, SC (Pickens HS) • Human Resource Development
99	Etta-Tawo, Etta	DT	6-5	300	*Fr.	Powder Springs, GA (McEachern HS) • Pre-Business
83	Faerber, Nelson	WR	5-11	180	*So.	Duluth, GA (Chattahoochee HS) • Construction Science & Management
6	Ford, Jacoby	WR	5-9	180	Fr.	Royal Palm Beach, FL (Cardinal Newman HS) • Political Science
62	Fry, Dustin	C	6-3	320	*Sr.	Summerville, SC (Summerville HS) • Sport Management
72	Fry, Roman	OL	6-4	300	*Sr.	Ironton, OH (Ironton HS) • Human Resource Development
56	Gabriel, Elsmore	DT	6-4	280	*Fr.	Brooklyn, NY (Christ The King Regional HS) • Sociology
12	Gaddis, C.J.	DB	6-0	210	*Jr.	Raeford, NC (Hoke County HS) • Sociology
20	Gaither, Darius	S	5-11	210	Fr.	Ridgeway, SC (Fairfield Central HS) • Turfgrass
15	Gilliam, Sergio	CB	6-3	185	Sr.	Greer, SC (Greer HS) • Sport Management
70	Grant, Jamarcus	OG	6-5	320	*Fr.	Mullins, SC (Mullins HS) • Undeclared
90	Green, Zach	TE	6-7	260	*Jr.	Conyers, GA (Salem HS) • Sociology
13	Grisham, Tyler	WR	5-11	180	So.	Birmingham, AL (Spain Park HS) • Political Science
61	Hairston, Chris	OT	6-6	310	Fr.	Winston-Salem, NC (Carver HS) • Undeclared
25	Hamlin, Michael	S	6-3	200	*So.	Timmonsville, SC (Lamar HS) • Sport Management
10	Harper, Cullen	QB	6-4	215	*So.	Alpharetta, GA (Sequoyah HS) • Pre-Business
26	Harris, La'Donte	WR	5-11	180	Jr.	Gadsden, AL (Litchfield HS) • Sport Management
71	Humphries, Barry	C	6-3	280	*Fr.	Anderson, SC (Belton-Honea Path HS) • Sociology
89	Hunter, Thomas	TE	6-4	255	*Sr.	Marion, SC (Pee Dee Academy) • Biological Sciences
55	Hutchinson, Bobby	OL	6-3	305	*So.	Greenville, FL (Madison County HS) • Sport Management
91	Jackson, Rashaad	DT	6-3	290	*So.	Union, SC (Union HS) • Community Recreation Management
19	Jackson, Richard	PK/P	5-11	185	Fr.	Greer, SC (Riverside HS) • Political Science
88	Johnson, Kendrick	WR	6-2	170	Fr.	Fort Lauderdale, FL (Dillard HS) • Undeclared
80	Kelly, Aaron	WR	6-5	180	*So.	Marietta, GA (Walton HS) • Pre-Business
76	Lambert, Cory	OT	6-6	300	*Fr.	Greenville, SC (Greenville HS) • Sociology
54	Leonard, Colin	LS	6-3	230	*Jr.	Lafayette, IN (Harrison HS) • Sport Management
29	Lewis, Haydrian	CB	5-11	185	So.	Charleston, SC (Stratford HS) • Undeclared
35	Macko, Paul	RB	5-9	195	*So.	Wadsworth, OH (Wadsworth HS) • Health Science
49	Maners, Jimmy	P	6-1	190	*So.	Rock Hill, SC (Northwestern HS) • History
96	Martin, Jermaine	TE	6-3	240	*Jr.	New Ellenton, SC (Aiken HS) • Pre-Business
36	Maxwell, Byron	DB	6-0	195	Fr.	North Charleston, SC (Fort Dorchester HS) • Undeclared
68	McDuffie, Chris	OG	6-5	330	*Jr.	Danville, VA (George Washington HS) • Community Recreation Management
9	McElrathbey, Ray Ray	CB	5-11	190	*Fr.	Atlanta, GA (Mays HS) • Sociology
50	McKissic, Jock	DT	6-6	295	So.	Opelika, AL (Opelika HS) • Sociology
60	Medlin, Jamal	OT	6-5	300	Fr.	Orangeburg, SC (Orangeburg-Wilkinson HS) • Pre-Business
94	Merling, Phillip	DE	6-5	270	So.	Memphis, TN (Cordova HS) • Sociology
37	Merriweather, Reggie	RB	5-8	210	*Sr.	North Augusta, SC (North Augusta HS) • Human Resource Development
47	Miller, Josh	LB	6-1	225	So.	Manning, SC (Manning HS) • Sport Management
57	Murchison, Antwon	DT	6-4	275	*Fr.	Aberdeen, NC (Pinecrest HS) • Undeclared
42	Nelson, Maurice	LB	6-2	215	*Jr.	Rembert, SC (Crestwood HS) • Sociology
81	Ogren, Jeff	WR	6-3	200	Fr.	Tuscaloosa, AL (American Christian Academy) • Pre-Business
86	Palmer, Michael	TE	6-5	230	Fr.	Stone Mountain, GA (Parkview HS) • Pre-Business
41	Pearson, Alex	FB	6-1	245	*So.	Greenville, SC (Greenville HS) • Marketing
74	Pilgrim, Brandon	OG	6-6	300	*Jr.	Lilburn, GA (Parkview HS) • Human Resource Development
14	Proctor, Will	QB	6-2	210	*Sr.	Winter Park, FL (Trinity Preparatory School) • Management
11	Reese, Tribble	QB	6-4	205	*So.	Mountain Brook, AL (Mountain Brook HS) • Marketing
79	Richardson, Barry	OT	6-7	320	Jr.	Mount Pleasant, SC (Wando HS) • Health Science
59	Riddle, Nic	LS	6-2	220	*Sr.	Ladson, SC (Stratford HS) • Civil Engineering
84	Robinson, Akeem	TE	6-5	260	*So.	Miami, FL (Miami Carol City Senior HS) • Sociology
23	Russell, Chris	S	6-1	210	*Jr.	Nashville, TN (Coffeyville (KS) CC) • Sociology
7	Sapp, Ricky	DE	6-4	220	Fr.	Bamberg, SC (Bamberg-Ehrhardt HS) • Community Recreation, Sport, & Camp Management
97	Scott, Dorell	DT	6-4	305	*So.	Columbia, SC (Ridge View HS) • Sociology
87	Smith, Brent	FB	6-0	225	*Sr.	Moncks Corner, SC (Berkeley HS) • Industrial Engineering
28	Spiller, C.J.	RB	5-11	190	Fr.	Lake Butler, FL (Union County HS) • Pre-Business
2	Stuckey, Chansi	WR	6-0	185	*Gr.	Warner Robins, GA (Northside HS) • Sociology
5	Taylor, Rendrick	WR	6-2	230	So.	Clio, SC (Marlboro County HS) • Special Education
58	Tremel, Taylor	OL	6-4	285	*So.	Lake Mary, FL (Lake Mary HS) • Education
45	Vincent, Cortney	LB	6-1	235	*So.	Allendale, SC (Allendale-Fairfax HS) • Sociology
16	Wade, Michael	QB	6-1	200	Fr.	Greer, SC (Riverside HS) • Pre-Business
17	Walker, Roy	S	6-3	205	*Jr.	Oglethorpe, GA (Macon County HS) • Sport Management
40	Waters, Anthony	LB	6-3	235	*Sr.	Lake View, SC (Lake View HS) • Sport Management
32	Watkins, Nick	LB	6-2	220	*Jr.	New Orleans, LA (Edna Karr Magnet School) • Community Recreation Management
98	Williams, Kwam	DE	6-3	245	*Jr.	Atlanta, GA (Westlake HS) • Sport Management

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1	James Davis	RB	So.
2	Chansi Stuckey	WR	*Gr.
3	Duane Coleman	CB	*Sr.
5	Rendrick Taylor	WR	So.
6	Jacoby Ford	WR	Fr.
7	Jad Dean	PK	Sr.
7	Ricky Sapp	DE	Fr.
8	Jamie Cumbie	DE	Fr.
9	Ray Ray McElrathbey	CB	*Fr.
10	Cullen Harper	OB	*So.
11	Tribble Reese	OB	*So.
12	C.J. Gaddis	DB	*Jr.
13	Tyler Grisham	WR	So.
14	Will Proctor	OB	*Sr.
15	Sergio Gilliam	CB	Sr
16	Michael Wade	OB	Fr.
17	Roy Walker	S	*Jr.
18	Crezdon Butler	CB	Fr.
19	Richard Jackson	PK/P	Fr.
20	Tramaine Billie	LB	Sr.
20	Darius Gaither	S	Fr.
21	Brandon Croley	S	*So.
22	Chris Clemons	S	*So.
23	Chris Russell	S	*Jr
24	Kevin Alexander	LB	Fr
25	Michael Hamlin	S	*So.
26	La'Donte Harris	WR	Jr.
27	Sadat Chambers	LB/S	*Fr.
28	C.J. Spiller	RB	Fr.
29	Haydrian Lewis	CB	So.
30	Cole Chason	P	*Gr.
32	Nick Watkins	LB	*Jr.
33	Kavell Conner	LB	*Fr.
35	Paul Macko	RB	*So.
36	Byron Maxwell	DB	Fr.
37	Reggie Merriweather	RB	*Sr.
38	Chris Chancellor	CB	*Fr.
39	Demerick Chancellor	RB	*Fr.
40	Anthony Waters	LB	*Sr.
41	Alex Pearson	FB	*So.
42	Maurice Nelson	LB	*Jr.
43	Antonio Clay	LB	So.
44	Donnell Clark	DT	*Sr.
45	Cortney Vincent	LB	*So.
47	Josh Miller	LB	So.
48	Jeremy Campbell	LB	Fr.
49	Jimmy Maners	P	*So.
50	Jock McKissic	DT	So.
51	Eddie Adams	LS	Fr.
53	Chris Carey	OG	Sr.
54	Colin Leonard	LS	*Jr.
55	Bobby Hutchinson	OL	*So.
56	Elsmore Gabriel	DT	*Fr.
57	Antwon Murchison	DT	*Fr.
58	Taylor Treme!	OL	*So.
59	Nic Riddle	LS	*Sr.
60	Jamal Medlin	OT	Fr.
61	Chris Hairston	OT	Fr.
62	Dustin Fry	C	*Sr.
63	Nathan Bennett	OG	*Sr.
65	Thomas Austin	OG	*Fr.
67	Christian Capote	OT	*Jr.
68	Chris McDuffie	OG	*Jr.
70	Jamarcus Grant	OG	*Fr.
71	Barry Humphries	C	*Fr.
72	Roman Fry	OL	*Sr.
73	Tim DeBeer	OT	*Sr.
74	Brandon Pilgrim	OG	*Jr.
75	Marion Dukes	OT	Sr.
76	Cory Lambert	OT	*Fr.
79	Barry Richardson	OT	Jr.
80	Aaron Kelly	WR	*So.
81	Jeff Ogren	WR	Fr.
82	Durrell Barry	TE	*Fr.
83	Nelson Faerber	WR	*So.
84	Akeem Robinson	TE	*So.
85	Andrew Diomande	WR	*So.
86	Michael Palmer	TE	Fr.
87	Brent Smith	FB	*Sr.
88	Kendrick Johnson	WR	Fr.
89	Thomas Hunter	TE	*Sr.
90	Zach Green	TE	*Jr.
91	Rashaad Jackson	DT	*So.
93	Gaines Adams	DE	*Sr.
94	Phillip Merling	DE	So.
95	Brandon Cannon	DE	*Gr.
96	Jermaine Martin	TE	*Jr.
97	Dorell Scott	DT	*So.
98	Kwam Williams	DE	*Jr.
99	Etta Etta-Tawo	DT	*Fr.

When Clemson Has the Ball

Clemson Offense

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.
LT	79	Barry Richardson	6-7	320	Jr.
LG	68	Chris McDuffie	6-5	330	*Jr.
C	62	Dustin Fry	6-3	320	*Sr.
RG	63	Nathan Bennett	6-5	310	*Sr.
RT	75	Marion Dukes	6-4	320	Sr.
TE	89	Thomas Hunter	6-4	255	*Sr.
TE	86	Michael Palmer	6-5	230	Fr.
WR	2	Chansi Stuckey	6-0	185	*Gr.
QB	14	Will Proctor	6-2	210	*Sr.
RB	1	James Davis	5-11	205	So.
WR	13	Tyler Grisham	5-11	180	So.
PK	7	Jad Dean	5-11	205	Sr.

South Carolina Defense

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.
DE	51	Casper Brinkley	6-3	250	Jr.
NT	98	Joel Reaves	6-1	271	Jr.
DT	95	Nathan Pepper	6-1	285	So.
DE	41	Jordin Lindsey	6-3	253	Jr.
OLB	24	Cody Wells	5-11	212	*Jr.
MLB	52	Jasper Brinkley	6-2	258	Jr.
OLB	45	Rodney Paulk	6-0	212	Fr.
CB	8	Fred Bennett	6-1	198	Sr.
ROV	21	Emanuel Cook	6-0	209	Fr.
FS	13	Syvelle Newton	6-0	210	Sr.
CB	1	Captain Munnerlyn	5-9	174	Fr.
PK	14	Ryan Succop	6-3	215	So.

When South Carolina Has the Ball

South Carolina Offense

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.
LT	77	Jamon Meredith	6-4	286	*So.
LG	55	Thomas Coleman	6-3	316	*Sr.
C	60	Chris White	6-3	319	*Sr.
RG	69	Seth Edwards	6-3	281	*Sr.
RT	78	Justin Sorensen	6-7	321	*So.
TE	80	Andy Boyd	6-4	265	*Sr.
WR	4	Sidney Rice	6-4	202	*So.
QB	12	Blake Mitchell	6-3	212	*Jr.
TB	25	Mike Davis	5-9	207	So.
FB	39	Lanard Stafford	5-9	240	*Jr.
WR	11	Kenny McKinley	5-11	174	So.
PK	14	Ryan Succop	6-3	215	So.

Clemson Defense

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.
DE	94	Phillip Merling	6-5	270	So.
NG	97	Dorell Scott	6-4	305	*So.
DT	50	Jock McKissic	6-6	295	So.
BE	93	Gaines Adams	6-5	260	*Sr.
SLB	42	Maurice Nelson	6-2	215	*Jr.
MLB	43	Antonio Clay	6-0	220	So.
WLB	32	Nick Watkins	6-2	220	*Jr.
CB	12	C.J. Gaddis	6-0	210	*Jr.
CAT	25	Michael Hamlin	6-3	200	*So.
FS	22	Chris Clemons	6-1	205	*So.
CB	3	Duane Coleman	5-11	195	*Sr.
P	30	Cole Chason	6-0	170	*Gr.

South Carolina

1	Captain Munnerlyn	CB	Fr.
3	Cory Boyd	RB	*Jr.
4	Sidney Rice	WR	*So.
5	Carlos Thomas	CB	So.
6	Tommy Beecher	QB	*Fr.
7	Cade Thompson	QB	*Fr.
8	Fred Bennett	CB	Sr.
9	Moe Brown	WR	Fr.
10	Noah Whiteside	WR	Sr.
11	Kenny McKinley	WR	So.
12	Blake Mitchell	QB	*Jr.
13	Syvelle Newton	FS/QB	Sr.
14	Ryan Succop	P/PK	So.
15	O.J. Murdock	WR	*Fr.
16	Brett Nichols	QB	*Sr.
17	Chris Smelley	QB	Fr.
18	Chris Hall	DB/WR	Fr.
20	Taylor Rank	RB	*Fr.
21	Emanuel Cook	ROV	Fr.
22	Bobby Wallace	RB	So.
23	Mike West	WR	*Jr.
24	Cody Wells	LB	*Jr.
25	Mike Davis	RB	So.
27	Ty Erving	FS	*Jr.
28	Jerod June	ROV	*Sr.
29	Ike Crofoot	LS	Sr.
30	Yvan Banag	ROV	So.
31	Gerrod Sinclair	LB	*Fr.
32	Darian Stewart	FS	Fr.
33	Chris Hampton	ROV	Jr.
35	Greg Wright	LB	*Jr.
36	Stoney Woodson	FS	*So.
39	Lanard Stafford	FB	*Jr.
39	Ranzino Valentine	CB	*Jr.
40	Eric Norwood	DE	Fr.
41	Jordin Lindsey	DE	Jr.
43	Ryan Brown	DE	*Jr.
45	Rodney Paulk	LB	Fr.
46	Bryan Kingrey	FB	Jr.
46	Aubrey McKay	CB	Sr.
47	Curtis Rice	LB	*Jr.
48	Vandaral Shackleford	LB	Fr.
49	Damien Wright	ROV	*Fr.
50	Scott Morgan	LS	*Sr.
51	Casper Brinkley	DE	Jr.
52	Jasper Brinkley	LB	Jr.
53	Marvin Sapp	LB	So.
55	Thomas Coleman	OG	*Sr.
55	Stanley Doughty	NT	*Jr.
60	Chris White	C	*Sr.
66	Hutch Eckerson	OT	Fr.
67	James Thompson	OG	Jr.
69	Seth Edwards	OG	*Sr.
70	Garrett Anderson	OG	Fr.
71	William Brown	OG	*Jr.
75	Gurminder Thind	OT	*So.
76	Jeremy Burgess	C	*So.
77	Jamon Meredith	OT	*So.
78	Justin Sorensen	OT	*So.
79	Marque Hall	DT	Jr.
80	Andy Boyd	TE	*Sr.
81	Paul Haile	WR	*Fr.
82	Freddie Brown III	WR	*Fr.
84	Jared Cook	TE	*Fr.
85	Jamal Hayes	WR	*Sr.
87	Spencer Lanning	P	Fr.
87	Alex McGrath	TE	*So.
88	Thomas Hooper	PK	*So.
89	Leon Gamble	WR	*So.
90	Foxy Foxworth	TE	Fr.
92	Jordan Dodds	PK	*Fr.
92	David Laggis	TE	*Jr.
93	Robert Pavlovic	TE	*Jr.
94	Lemuel Jeanpierre	DT	*Fr.
95	Nathan Pepper	DT	So.
96	Matt Raysor	DL	*So.
97	Kenrick Ellis	DT	Fr.
98	Joel Reaves	NT	Jr.
99	Dakota Walker	LB	So.

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South Carolina

Alphabetical Roster

70	Anderson, Garrett	OG	6-5	293	Fr.	Irmo, SC (Dutch Fork HS)
30	Banag, Yvan	ROV	5-9	214	So.	Buford, GA (Buford HS)
6	Beecher, Tommy	QB	6-1	214	*Fr.	Concord, NC (Concord HS)
8	Bennett, Fred	CB	6-1	198	Sr.	Manning, SC (Manning HS)
80	Boyd, Andy	TE	6-4	265	*Sr.	Concord, NC (Concord HS)
3	Boyd, Cory	RB	6-1	201	*Jr.	Orange, NJ (Orange HS)
51	Brinkley, Casper	DE	6-3	250	Jr.	Thomson, GA (Georgia Military College)
52	Brinkley, Jasper	LB	6-2	258	Jr.	Thomson, GA (Georgia Military College)
82	Brown III, Freddie	WR	6-3	198	*Fr.	Duncan, SC (James F. Byrnes HS)
9	Brown, Moe	WR	6-0	173	Fr.	Anderson, SC (Westside HS)
43	Brown, Ryan	DE	6-0	258	*Jr.	Moncks Corner, SC (Berkeley HS)
71	Brown, William	OG	6-4	265	*Jr.	Boonville, NC (Starmount HS)
76	Burgess, Jeremy	C	6-4	292	*So.	Loris, SC (Loris HS)
55	Coleman, Thomas	OG	6-3	316	*Sr.	Johnston, SC (Strom Thurmond HS)
21	Cook, Emanuel	ROV	6-0	209	Fr.	Riviera Beach, FL (Palm Beach Gardens HS)
84	Cook, Jared	TE	6-5	226	*Fr.	Suwanee, GA (North Gwinnett HS)
29	Crofoot, Ike	LS	6-1	185	Sr.	Windermere, FL (First Academy)
25	Davis, Mike	RB	5-9	207	So.	Columbia, SC (Columbia HS)
92	Dodds, Jordan	PK	5-10	199	*Fr.	Orlando, FL (Edgewater HS)
55	Doughty, Stanley	NT	6-1	331	*Jr.	Greensburg, LA (Saint Helena Central HS)
66	Eckerson, Hutch	OT	6-6	286	Fr.	Lumberton, NC (Lumberton HS)
69	Edwards, Seth	OG	6-3	281	*Sr.	Charlotte, NC (South Mecklenburg HS)
97	Ellis, Kenrick	DT	6-5	349	Fr.	Greenacres, FL (John I. Leonard HS)
27	Erving, Ty	FS	5-10	190	*Jr.	Batesburg, SC (Batesburg-Leesville HS)
90	Foxworth, Foxy	TE	6-3	233	Fr.	Mount Pleasant, SC (Wando HS)
89	Gamble, Leon	WR	6-2	172	*So.	Georgetown, SC (Georgetown HS)
18	Hail, Chris	DB/WR	5-11	186	Fr.	Lovejoy, GA (Lovejoy HS)
81	Halle, Paul	WR	6-0	189	*Fr.	Lexington, SC (Lexington HS)
79	Hall, Marque	DT	6-3	295	Jr.	Wingate, NC (Forest Hills HS)
33	Hampton, Chris	ROV	5-11	184	Jr.	Memphis, TN (Melrose HS)
85	Hayes, Jamal	WR	6-3	200	*Sr.	Hartsville, SC (Mayo HS)
88	Hooper, Thomas	PK	5-6	158	*So.	Montgomery, AL (Trinity Presbyterian HS)
94	Jeanpierre, Lemuel	DT	6-4	278	*Fr.	Orlando, FL (Timber Creek HS)
28	June, Jerod	ROV	5-11	204	*Sr.	Bonneau, SC (Timberland HS)
46	Kingrey, Bryan	FB	6-1	237	Jr.	Raleigh, NC (Ravenscroft School)
92	Laggis, David	TE	6-5	254	*Jr.	Conyers, GA (Heritage HS)
87	Lanning, Spencer	P	5-10	157	Fr.	Rock Hill, SC (York Comprehensive HS)
41	Lindsey, Jordin	DE	6-3	253	Jr.	Mobile, AL (Davidson HS)
87	McGrath, Alex	TE	6-2	210	*So.	Greer, SC (Riverside HS)
46	McKay, Aubrey	CB	5-10	173	Sr.	Darlington, SC (City College of San Francisco (CA))
11	McKinley, Kenny	WR	5-11	174	So.	Mableton, GA (South Cobb HS)
77	Meredith, Jamon	OT	6-4	286	*So.	Simpsonville, SC (Hillcrest HS)
12	Mitchell, Blake	QB	6-3	212	*Jr.	LaGrange, GA (LaGrange HS)
50	Morgan, Scott	LS	6-1	220	*Sr.	North Augusta, SC (Midland Valley HS)
1	Munnerlyn, Captain	CB	5-9	174	Fr.	Mobile, AL (Murphy HS)
15	Murdock, O.J.	WR	5-11	187	*Fr.	Tampa, FL (Middleton HS)
13	Newton, Syvelle	FS/QB	6-0	210	Sr.	Wallace, SC (Marlboro County HS)
16	Nichols, Brett	QB	6-1	217	*Sr.	Simpsonville, SC (Hillcrest HS)
40	Norwood, Eric	DE	6-2	258	Fr.	Acworth, GA (North Cobb HS)
45	Paulk, Rodney	LB	6-0	212	Fr.	Columbia, SC (Richland Northeast HS)
93	Pavlovic, Robert	TE	6-4	242	*Jr.	Mississauga, Ontario (Saint Francis Xavier Secondary School)
95	Pepper, Nathan	DT	6-1	285	So.	Greenville, SC (Greenville HS)
20	Rank, Taylor	RB	6-0	206	*Fr.	Vancouver, WA (Evergreen HS)
96	Raysor, Matt	DL	6-3	301	*So.	Bamberg, SC (Bamberg-Ehrhardt HS)
98	Reaves, Joel	NT	6-1	271	Jr.	Marion, SC (Georgia Military College)
47	Rice, Curtis	LB	6-1	242	*Jr.	Union, SC (Union HS)
4	Rice, Sidney	WR	6-4	202	*So.	Gaffney, SC (Gaffney Senior HS)
53	Sapp, Marvin	LB	5-11	215	So.	Jacksonville, FL (Sandalwood HS)
48	Shackleford, Vandaral	LB	6-1	222	Fr.	Riverdale, GA (Riverdale HS)
31	Sinclair, Gerrod	LB	6-0	219	*Fr.	Jacksonville, FL (Mandarin HS)
17	Smelley, Chris	QB	6-3	206	Fr.	Tuscaloosa, AL (American Christian Academy)
78	Sorensen, Justin	OT	6-7	321	*So.	Vancouver Island, British Columbia (Ballenas Secondary School)
39	Stafford, Lanard	FB	5-9	240	*Jr.	Hemingway, SC (Carvers Bay HS)
32	Stewart, Darian	FS	6-0	209	Fr.	Huntsville, AL (Lee HS)
14	Succop, Ryan	P/PK	6-3	215	So.	Hickory, NC (Hickory HS)
75	Thind, Gurminder	OT	6-4	293	*So.	Mississauga, Ontario (John Fraser Secondary School)
5	Thomas, Carlos	CB	5-10	179	So.	College Park, GA (Banneker HS)
7	Thompson, Cade	QB	6-2	183	*Fr.	Maryville, TN (Maryville HS)
67	Thompson, James	OG	6-3	317	Jr.	Sumter, SC (Sumter HS)
39	Valentine, Ranzino	CB	5-8	175	*Jr.	Greenville, SC (J.L. Mann HS)
99	Walker, Dakota	LB	6-3	230	So.	Mays Landing, NJ (Oakcrest HS)
22	Wallace, Bobby	RB	5-7	188	So.	Conway, SC (Conway HS)
24	Wells, Cody	LB	5-11	212	*Jr.	Belleview, FL (Belleview HS)
23	West, Mike	WR	6-0	218	*Jr.	Ocala, FL (Butler County (KS) CC)
60	White, Chris	C	6-3	319	*Sr.	Chester, SC (Chester Senior HS)
10	Whiteside, Noah	WR	5-10	180	Sr.	Greenville, SC (Greenville HS)
36	Woodson, Stoney	FS	5-11	190	*So.	Tampa, FL (Middleton HS)
49	Wright, Damien	ROV	6-0	214	*Fr.	Sumter, SC (Crestwood HS)
35	Wright, Greg	LB	5-10	212	*Jr.	Cross, SC (Cross HS)

#4 Sidney Rice, WR

2006 ACC Schedule

Thursday, August 31
Boston College (31) at Central Michigan (24)

Saturday, September 2
Florida Atlantic (6) at **Clemson (54)**
Richmond (13) at **Duke (0)**
Notre Dame (14) at **Georgia Tech (10)**
William & Mary (14) at **Maryland (27)**
Rutgers (21) at **North Carolina (16)**
Appalachian State (10) at **N.C. State (23)**
Virginia (13) at Pittsburgh (38)
Northeastern (0) at **Virginia Tech (38)**
Syracuse (10) at **Wake Forest (20)**

Monday, September 4
Florida State (13) at **Miami (FL) (10)**

Saturday, September 9
Clemson (33) at **Boston College (34) 2OT**
Duke (13) at **Wake Forest (14)**
Troy (17) at **Florida State (24)**
Samford (6) at **Georgia Tech (38)**
Middle Tennessee (10) at **Maryland (24)**
Florida A&M (10) at **Miami (FL) (51)**
Virginia Tech (35) at **North Carolina (10)**
Akron (20) at **N.C. State (17)**
Wyoming (12) at **Virginia (13) 2OT**

Thursday, September 14
Maryland (24) at West Virginia (45)

Saturday, September 16
Brigham Young (23) at **Boston College (30) 2OT**
Clemson (27) at **Florida State (20)**
Duke (0) at **Virginia Tech (36)**
Troy (20) at **Georgia Tech (35)**
Miami (FL) (7) at Louisville (31)
Furman (42) at **North Carolina (45)**
N.C. State (17) at Southern Mississippi (37)
Western Michigan (17) at **Virginia (10)**
Wake Forest (24) at Connecticut (13)

Thursday, September 21
Virginia (7) at **Georgia Tech (24)**

Saturday, September 23
Boston College (15) at N.C. State (17)
North Carolina (7) at **Clemson (52)**
Rice (7) at **Florida State (55)**
Florida International (10) at **Maryland (14)**
Cincinnati (13) at **Virginia Tech (29)**
Wake Forest (27) at Mississippi (3)

Saturday, September 30
Maine (0) at **Boston College (22)**
Louisiana Tech (0) at **Clemson (51)**
Virginia (37) at **Duke (0)**
Georgia Tech (38) at **Virginia Tech (27)**
Houston (13) at **Miami (FL) (14)**
Liberty (14) at **Wake Forest (34)**

Thursday, October 5
Florida State (20) at **N.C. State (24)**

Saturday, October 7
Clemson (27) at **Wake Forest (17)**
Duke (14) at Alabama (30)
Maryland (23) at **Georgia Tech (27)**
North Carolina (7) at **Miami (FL) (27)**
Virginia (21) at East Carolina (31)

Thursday, October 12
Clemson (63) vs. Temple* (9)
Virginia Tech (3) at **Boston College (22)**

Saturday, October 14
Florida State (51) at **Duke (24)**
Maryland (28) at **Virginia (26)**
Florida International (0) at **Miami (FL) (35)**
South Florida (37) at **North Carolina (20)**
Wake Forest (25) at **N.C. State (23)**

Thursday, October 19
North Carolina (0) at **Virginia (23)**

Saturday, October 21
Boston College (24) at **Florida State (19)**
Georgia Tech (7) at **Clemson (31)**
Miami (FL) (20) at **Duke (15)**
N.C. State (20) at **Maryland (26)**
Southern Mississippi (6) at **Virginia Tech (36)**

Thursday, October 26
Clemson (7) at **Virginia Tech (24)**

Saturday, October 28
Buffalo (0) at **Boston College (41)**
Vanderbilt (45) at **Duke (28)**
Florida State (24) at **Maryland (27)**
Miami (FL) (23) at **Georgia Tech (30)**
Wake Forest (24) at **North Carolina (17)**
N.C. State (7) at **Virginia (14)**

Saturday, November 4
Boston College (14) at **Wake Forest (21)**
Maryland (13) at **Clemson (12)**
Navy (38) at **Duke (13)**
Virginia (0) at **Florida State (33)**
Georgia Tech (31) at **N.C. State (23)**
Virginia Tech (17) at **Miami (FL) (10)**
North Carolina (26) at Notre Dame (45)

Saturday, November 11
N.C. State (14) at **Clemson (20)**
Georgia Tech (7) at **North Carolina (0)**
Miami (FL) (13) at **Maryland (14)**
Kent State (0) at **Virginia Tech (23)**
Duke (7) at **Boston College (28)**
Wake Forest (30) at **Florida State (0)**

Saturday, November 18
Maryland at **Boston College**
Duke at **Georgia Tech**
Western Michigan at **Florida State**
Miami (FL) at **Virginia**
N.C. State at **North Carolina**
Virginia Tech at **Wake Forest**

Thursday, November 23
Boston College at **Miami (FL)**

Saturday, November 25
South Carolina at **Clemson** ESPN 12:00
North Carolina at **Duke** ESPN360 12:00
Florida at **Florida State** ABC 12:00
Virginia at **Virginia Tech** LF 12:00
Georgia Tech at Georgia CBS 3:30
East Carolina at **N.C. State** ESPNU 7:00
Wake Forest at **Maryland** ESPN 7:45

Saturday, December 2
Georgia Tech vs. **TBA**^ ABC 1:00

* - Charlotte, NC; ^ - ACC title game at Jacksonville, FL; Note: All times are PM and EST.

2006-07 Bowl Schedule

Bowl	Day	Date	Site	TV	Time	Participants
San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl	**Tuesday**	**December 19**	**San Diego, CA**	**ESPN2**	**8:00 PM**	**At-Large vs. Mountain West (#2/3)**
Pioneer PureVision Las Vegas Bowl	Thursday	December 21	Las Vegas, NV	ESPN	8:00 PM	Mountain West (#1) vs. Pacific 10 (#4)
New Orleans Bowl	Friday	December 22	New Orleans, LA	ESPN	8:00 PM	Conference USA vs. Sun Belt
Birmingham Bowl	Saturday	December 23	Birmingham, AL	ESPN2	1:00 PM	Big East or Mid-American vs. Conference USA
New Mexico Bowl	Saturday	December 23	Albuquerque, NM	ESPN	4:30 PM	Mountain West (#4) vs. Western Athletic (#3)
Fort Worth Bowl	Saturday	December 23	Fort Worth, TX	ESPN	8:30 PM	Conference USA (#4) vs. Mountain West (#3)
Sheraton Hawaii Bowl	Sunday	December 24	Honolulu, HI	ESPN	8:00 PM	Pacific 10 (#6) vs. Hawaii
Motor City Bowl	Tuesday	December 26	Detroit, MI	ESPN	TBA	Big 10 (#7) vs. Mid-American (#1/2)
Emerald Bowl	**Wednesday**	**December 27**	**San Francisco, CA**	**ESPN**	**8:00 PM**	**Atlantic Coast (#6/7) vs. Pacific 10 (#4/5)**
Independence Bowl	Thursday	December 28	Shreveport, LA	ESPN	3:30 PM	Big 12 (#7/8) vs. Southeastern (#8)
Pacific Life Holiday Bowl	Thursday	December 28	San Diego, CA	ESPN	8:00 PM	Big 12 (#3) vs. Pacific 10 (#2)
Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl	**Friday**	**December 29**	**Nashville, TN**	**ESPN**	**TBA**	**Atlantic Coast (#5) vs. Southeastern (#6)**
Insight Bowl	Friday	December 29	Tempe, AZ	NFL	TBA	Big 10 (#6) vs. Big 12 (#6)
Brut Sun Bowl	Friday	December 29	El Paso, TX	CBS	2:00 PM	Big 12 or Big East or Notre Dame vs. Pacific 10 (#3)
Champs Sports Bowl	**Friday**	**December 29**	**Orlando, FL**	**ESPN**	**8:00 PM**	**Atlantic Coast (#4) vs. Big 10 (#4/5)**
AutoZone Liberty Bowl	Saturday	December 30	Memphis, TN	ESPN	1:00 PM	Conference USA (#1) vs. Southeastern
Meineke Car Care Bowl	**Saturday**	**December 30**	**Charlotte, NC**	**ESPN**	**1:00 PM**	**Atlantic Coast (#6/7) vs. Navy**
Alamo Bowl	Saturday	December 30	San Antonio, TX	ESPN	4:30 PM	Big 12 (#4/5) vs. Big 10 (#4/5)
Chick-fil-A Bowl	**Saturday**	**December 30**	**Atlanta, GA**	**ESPN**	**8:00 PM**	**Atlantic Coast (#2) vs. Southeastern (#5)**
MPC Computers Bowl	**Sunday**	**December 31**	**Boise, ID**	**ESPN**	**7:30 PM**	**Atlantic Coast (#8) vs. Western Athletic (#1/2/3)**
Outback Bowl	Monday	January 1	Tampa, FL	ESPN	11:00 AM	Big 10 (#3) vs. Southeastern (#4)
AT&T Cotton Bowl Classic	Monday	January 1	Dallas, TX	FOX	11:30 AM	Big 12 (#2) vs. Southeastern (#3)
Captial One Bowl	Monday	January 1	Orlando, FL	ABC	1:00 PM	Big 10 (#2) vs. Southeastern (#2)
Toyota Gator Bowl	**Monday**	**January 1**	**Jacksonville, FL**	**CBS**	**1:00 PM**	**Atlantic Coast (#3) vs. Big 12 or Big East**
Rose Bowl	**Monday**	**January 1**	**Pasadena, CA**	**ABC**	**5:00 PM**	**BCS vs. BCS**
Tostitos Fiesta Bowl	**Monday**	**January 1**	**Glendale, AZ**	**FOX**	**6:30 PM**	**BCS vs. BCS**
FedEx Orange Bowl	**Tuesday**	**January 2**	**Miami Gardens, FL**	**FOX**	**8:00 PM**	**BCS vs. BCS**
Allstate Sugar Bowl	**Wednesday**	**January 3**	**New Orleans, LA**	**FOX**	**8:00 PM**	**BCS vs. BCS**
The International Bowl	Saturday	January 6	Toronto, Ontario	ESPN	TBA	Big East (#4/5) vs. Mid-American (#2/3)
GMAC Bowl	Sunday	January 7	Mobile, AL	ESPN	8:00 PM	Conference USA (#2) vs. Mid-American (#1)
BCS National Championship Game	**Monday**	**January 8**	**Glendale, AZ**	**FOX**	**TBA**	**BCS (#1) vs. BCS (#2)**

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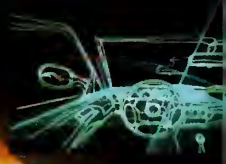

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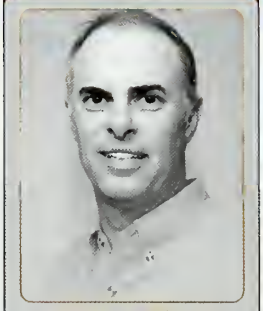

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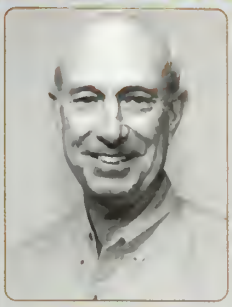

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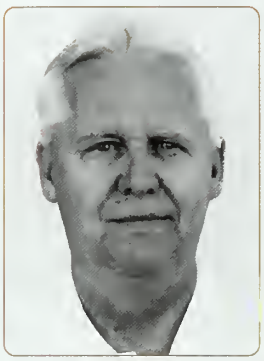

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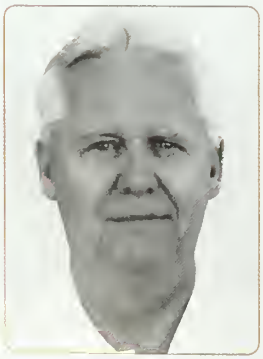

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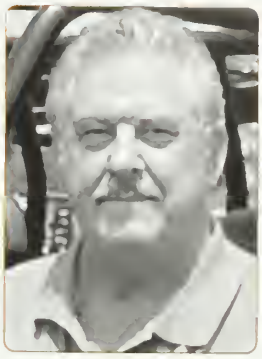

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Trevor Adair
Men's Soccer

- 148-66-21 at Clemson in 11 years; he has a 182-90-26 record including time as Brown's head coach.
- Led Clemson to its first Final Four appearance in 18 years in 2005 and a #3 final ranking.
- Has coached Clemson to seven top-25 finishes in his 11 years, including five trips to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tourney.
- Coached the Tigers to the ACC regular-season title and a first-place finish at the ACC Tournament in 1998. Also led the Tigers to the ACC Tourney crown and an Elite Eight appearance in the 2001 NCAA Tournament.
- Led the Tigers to the NCAA quarterfinals in 1998, and had #1 ranking for much of the fall, including the final regular-season poll. As ACC Coach-of-the-Year, he defeated seven top-25 teams in 1998.

Todd Bramble
Women's Soccer

- Has a 59-37-5 record at Clemson and 13 top-25 wins.
- Has led Clemson to the NCAA Tournament each of his first five years as head coach and has four top-25 seasons under his belt.
- Led Clemson to consecutive road wins over top-five teams Texas and Texas A&M to open the 2004 season.
- Coached Deliah Arrington to the ACC Player-of-the-Year award in 2002, the first Lady Tiger to earn that honor.
- Guided Clemson to a 15-5-1 record and #11 final ranking in 2001, his first as the Clemson's head coach.
- Served as Clemson's top assistant under Men's Head Coach Trevor Adair from 1995-99.

Nancy Harris
Women's Tennis

- In her 10th year at Clemson, where she has a 135-89 record, including 84-27 during the last four years.
- Has led Clemson to the NCAA Tourney in six of the last seven years with four straight top-20 finishes.
- Clemson was #18 in the final rankings in 2006.
- Only women's coach in Clemson history to lead a program to the Final Four of an NCAA Tourney in back-to-back years (2004,05); Clemson ranked in the top 10 in both seasons.
- Clemson has played host to an NCAA Regional three straight seasons.
- Her 2004 team advanced to the Final Four of the NCAA Tournament, the first women's sports program at Clemson to reach the Final Four.
- Won the ACC regular-season and tournament titles in 2004.
- Had a 26-4 record and #5 national ranking in 2004, Clemson's highest-ever final ranking in women's tennis.

Jolene Hoover
Women's Volleyball

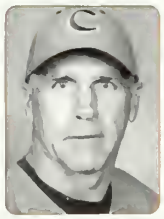
- The winningest coach in Clemson volleyball history with an overall record of 264-161 and a 113-95 ACC record at Clemson in 13 years.
- Has won at least 20 matches seven times in her 13 years, including 2004 when Clemson was one of three ACC teams with 20 wins.
- Has a 357-192 overall record in 16 seasons as a head coach.
- Led the Tigers to a 31-3 overall record in 1999, which earned Clemson a trip to the NCAA tournament and also the school's first ranking in the top-20.
- Won the ACC regular-season title in 1999 and had a #9 final RPI ranking.
- Guided Clemson to its first-ever ACC title in the 1997 season. Clemson defeated undefeated Maryland, ending the Terrapins 29-game winning streak in the process.

Christopher Ip
Men's & Women's Swimming & Diving

- His men's and women's teams have posted at least a 3.0 GPA every semester at Clemson.
- Lady Tigers finished 28th at the NCAA Championships in 2006.
- The men won the Nike Cup in Chapel Hill, NC for the first time in 2005.
- Led the men and women to a 23-7-1 combined record in 2003-04, the most wins in school history.
- The 13-2-1 record by the men in 2003-04 was a school record for wins, and the 10 wins by the women were the most since 1988. The men's team also had a school-record 9-0-1 mark on the road.
- Named national coach-of-the-year at the junior college level for men's swimming 10 times, including seven years in a row (1992-98), and women's swimming four times.

Chuck Kriese
Men's Tennis

- Has led Clemson to four straight 20-win seasons (25 in 2005).
- His 2006 team posted a 23-10 record and advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament.
- Had a 26-12 record in 2004. The 26 wins were the most by a Tiger team since 1988. The 2004 team had wins over #6 Duke and #10 Texas Christian in the NCAA Tourney, and advanced to the Elite Eight.
- Enters his 32nd season with a 639-389 record at Clemson.
- Winningest men's tennis coach in Clemson and ACC history. His 639 career wins rank in the top-15 nationally.
- Has coached Clemson to 23 NCAA Tournament appearances in his 31 years as head coach. That includes seven Elite Eight finishes and 12 Sweet 16 finishes.
- Has 14 top-25 seasons, fourth among all coaches in Clemson history.



Jack Leggett
Baseball

- Has coached Clemson to 608 wins in 13 years at Clemson, an average of over 46 wins per season. The 608 wins are fourth-most in the nation during his tenure in Tigertown.
- Clemson has won at least 50 games six times in his 13 years and at least 39 games in all 13 seasons.
- Has coached Clemson to the NCAA Tournament all 13 years, including five trips to the College World Series (1995,96,00,02,06).
- Led Clemson to the best record in the ACC in the 2006 regular season with a 24-6 record, won the ACC Tournament, and advanced to the College World Series; it was just the second time in the last 25 years the program accomplished all three in the same season.
- Won a record 26 games against top-25 teams in 2006.
- The 2002 team won 19 games over top-25 ranked teams and had five All-Americans, including unanimous National Player-of-the-Year Khalil Greene, and advanced to Omaha.

Susie Lueck
Women's Rowing

- In her ninth year at Clemson and 11th overall as a coach.
- Has coached five Scholar Athletes and two All-ACC performers each of the last four years. The 2005 team was second in the South Region.
- Coached Clemson to a South Region title in 2001-02. The Tigers' Novice 8+, 2nd Varsity 4+, and 2nd Varsity 8+ claimed titles.
- Named South Region Coach-of-the-Year, and ACC Coach-of-the-Year in 2000-01 and 2004-05.
- In 2000-01, Clemson won the South Region Championship and finished the year ranked #21 in the country.
- Her teams have had at least a 3.0 GPA every year.

Cristy McKinney
Women's Basketball

- In her second season at Clemson after serving as Rice's head coach for the past 12 years.
- Coached the Lady Owls to nine consecutive winning seasons, during which she guided Rice to two NCAA Tournament berths and four WNIT appearances.
- Has six 20-win seasons and two conference titles in her 12 seasons as a head coach.
- Led Rice to a 24-9 record, a WAC Tournament title, and an NCAA Tournament appearance in 2004-05.
- Played for Kay Yow at N.C. State from 1976-79.

Marcia Noad
Women's Track & Field

- Coached Clemson to a #21 ranking in indoor track in 2005.
- Gisele Oliveira won a national title indoors and finished as national runnerup outdoors in the triple jump.
- Led the 2001-02 team to a #21 finish indoors and #20 finish outdoors.
- Coached a Lady Tiger to a national title in the 200m indoors and 4x400m relay outdoors during the 2001-02 season.
- Had one of the most successful rookie coaching seasons in Tiger sports history in 2000-01 with two top-10 finishes.

Larry Penley
Men's Golf

- Has 19 top-20 seasons, tied for first in Tiger sports history.
- Has won seven NCAA Regional titles, eight ACC titles, and 59 tournaments in his 23 years at Clemson.
- Led Clemson to a #7 final ranking in 2006, his 11th top-10 season, second in Tiger history for all coaches.
- Coached Clemson to the 2003 national title, the first in program history and the fourth in Tiger sports history.
- The 2003 team was the first in NCAA golf history to win its conference, regional, and national titles in one year.
- Named National Coach-of-the-Year by **Golfweek** and the Coaches' Association in 2003.

Bob Pollock
Men's Track & Field

- Has been the track coach at Clemson for 18 years; he is in his 34th year overall as a head coach.
- Has won 21 ACC titles in his Tiger career, more than any other coach in school history.
- An 18-time ACC Coach-of-the-Year, most in Clemson history
- Took Clemson to the ACC outdoor title during the 2004 spring season, as the team scored an ACC record 224 points. Sixteen Tigers also earned All-ACC honors.
- Won the ACC indoor title for six straight years (1997-02) and the ACC outdoor title in four of the last eight years.

Oliver Purnell
Men's Basketball

- Has led Clemson to postseason play each of the last two years, including a 19-win season in 2005-06.
- Has led the Tigers to four consecutive victories over Maryland, a first for the program since 1951
- Had top-15 victories over North Carolina and N.C. State in 2003-04.
- Was as an assistant coach on the 2004 U.S. Olympic team.
- Finalist for the Naismith Award in 2002-03, which is given to the college basketball coach-of-the-year.
- President of the National Association of Men's Basketball Coaches, the first Tiger coach to serve as president of a coaching organization.

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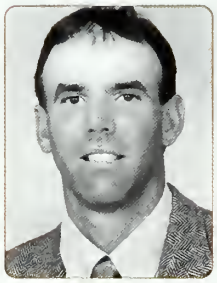

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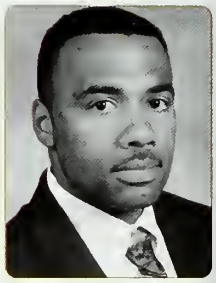

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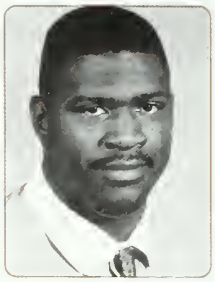

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Mission Statement

The Department of Athletics offers nationally prominent athletic programs. Through a dedicated commitment to educational interests, a competitive athletic program, and integrity in all areas, the student-athletes, coaches, and staff strive to bring credit and recognition to Clemson University.

The mission of the Athletic Department is to sponsor a broad-based athletic program that provides educational and athletic opportunities for young men and women to grow, develop, and serve the interests of Clemson University by complementing and enhancing its diversity and quality of life.

Furthermore, the Athletic Department seeks to be a source of pride for the citizens of the State of South Carolina and to be recognized as a nationally prominent program, through consistently high levels of performance and accomplishment in athletic competitions.

The Athletic Department strives to develop student-athletes academically and athletically with the total commitment of aiding their efforts to graduate from Clemson University and advance to careers that will enable them to be productive members of society.

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Andy Ford

Graduate Assistant Coach (Defense)

Responsibilities: Graduate assistant coach who will work with the defense.
Playing Experience: Four-year letterman at Clemson (1993-96)...started 15 games as a cornerback and free safety...only career punt return went for 26 yards and a touchdown against Western Carolina in 1995...played in three bowl games.
Coaching Experience: Defensive backs coach at Sumter (SC) High...assistant coach at Beaufort (SC) High...defensive coordinator at East Chapel Hill (NC) High...defensive backs coach at Cary (NC) High...graduate assistant coach at Clemson in 2005.
Education: Earned a degree in business management from Clemson in 1998.
Personal: Born February 3, 1975 in Seoul, Korea...twin brother Peter also lettered for the Tigers (1993-96) at cornerback...married to the former Marjon Grant...son Jamauri (7).

Paul Hogan

Graduate Assistant Coach (Offense)

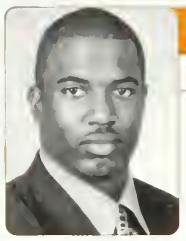
Responsibilites: Graduate assistant coach who will work with the offense.
Playing Experience: Four-year letterman and starter at Alabama (1997-00)...three-time All-SEC pick at center...All-American...started 44 of 45 career games...selected captain as a senior...winner of the Pat Trammell Leadership Award for outstanding leadership...signed a free-agent contract with the Oakland Raiders.
Coaching Experience: Volunteer assistant coach at Georgia in 2001...graduate assistant coach at Alabama from 2002-04...graduate assistant coach at Clemson in 2005.
Education: Earned a degree in public relations from Alabama in 1999...earned a master's degree in management from Alabama in 2004.
Personal: Born August 9, 1977...married to Jennifer Rouzie Hogan.

Video Graduate Assistants

Mike Dooley

Video Graduate Assistant (Defense)

Responsibilities: Graduate assistant who will work with the Clemson defense on practice and game video.
Playing Experience: Defensive end at Furman who lettered from 1993-95...missed his senior year due to injury...had a sack against Clemson in 1994...Furman reached the Division I-AA playoffs his final season...Academic Honor Roll member...graduate of Stephens County High in Toccoa, GA where he played for four seasons.
Coaching Experience: Assistant coach at Greenville (SC) High from 1998-04; defensive coordinator from 2000-04 and assistant head coach in 2004...during his last three years on the staff, Greenville High posted a 33-4 record, including a 12-1 ledger in 2003...video graduate assistant (defense) at Clemson in 2005.
Education: Earned a degree in health & exercise science from Furman in 1998.
Personal: Born May 1, 1975 in Toccoa, GA...single.



Willie Simmons

Video Graduate Assistant (Offense)

Responsibilities: Graduate assistant who will work with the Clemson offense on practice and game video.
Playing Experience: Played one season for Sioux City (IA) of the United Indoor Football League...lettered one season at The Citadel in 2003, where he was named First-Team All-SoCon...lettered at Clemson from 2000-02...passed for 2,530 yards with 16 scores in 24 games as a Tiger...came off the bench as a freshman and threw for 228 yards and a record-tying four touchdowns in Clemson's 38-24 win at North Carolina in 2000...graduated from Shanks High School in Quincy, FL in 1999.
Coaching Experience: Quarterbacks coach and passing game coordinator at Lincoln (FL) High School in 2005.
Education: Earned a degree in sports marketing from Clemson in 2002.
Personal: Born October 12, 1980 in Tallahassee, FL...single.

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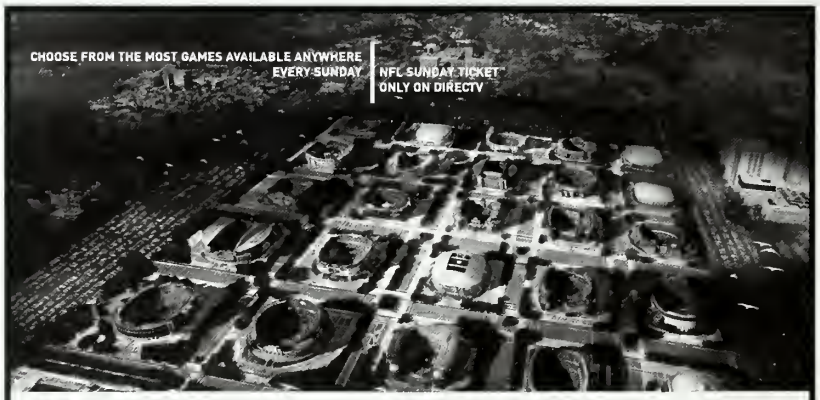

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Concession stands are located beneath all stands and can be reached from any portal.

Emergencies
First Aid stations are located at: South side - under Section J; North Side - under Section T; North Top Deck - under Section K; South Top Deck - under Section E. Trained nurses are on hand. Should a doctor be needed, ask any usher. Ambulances are located at Gates 1, 5, 9, and 13 Emergency calls ((864) 656-2999) are received in the Security Booth.

Handicapped
Special entrances have been provided at Gates 1 and 5 for the handicapped.

Lost & Found
If any article is lost or found, please report it to the Gate 1 information booth.

Notice
Solicitation for any purpose is prohibited at an athletic contest in Clemson Memorial Stadium.

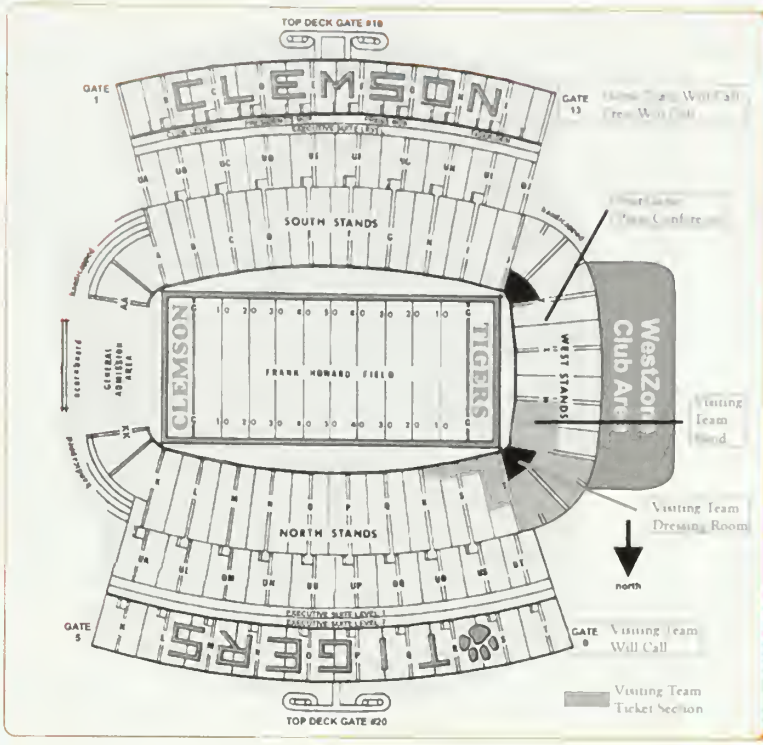
Pass Outs
Pass outs are allowed, however fans will have to go through the same level of security screening as they did upon entering the stadium.

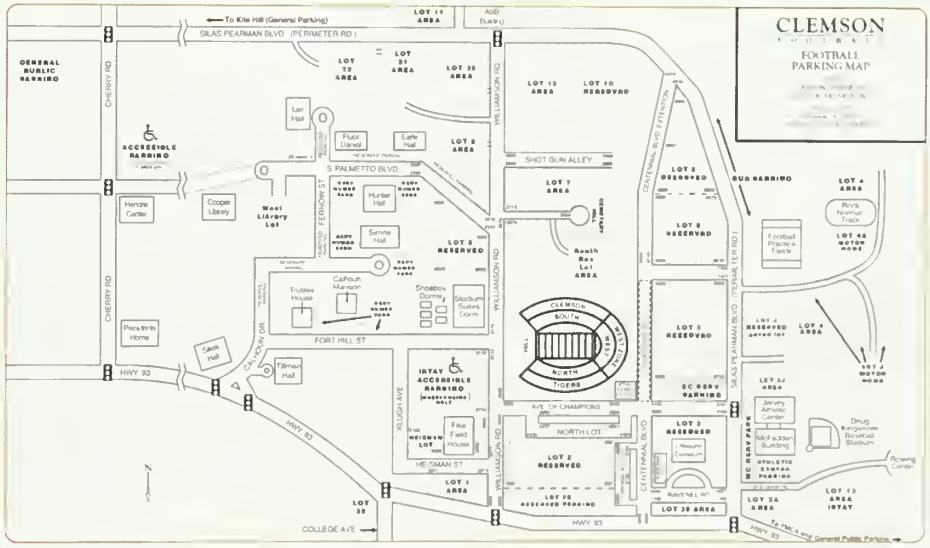
Prohibited Items
Umbrellas, folding chairs, chaise lounges, food, and beverage containers of any type, including alcoholic beverages, thermos jugs, and ice chests.

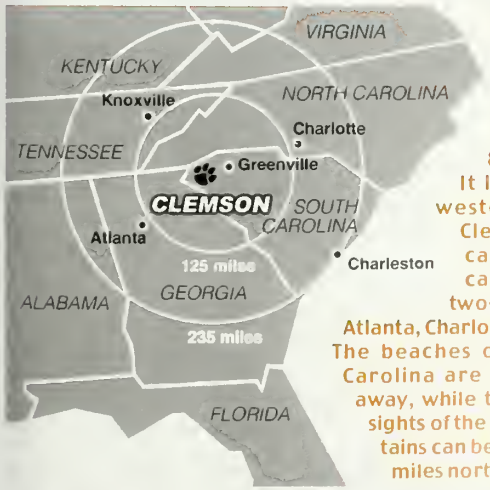
Public Address System
The public address system is intended for spectators' information concerning the game. Do not request the use of the public address system to make social contacts.

Season Ticket Holders/Other Visitors
Season ticket holders and other visitors to Memorial Stadium are requested to enter at Gates 1, 5, 9, 11, or 13. Persons with top deck tickets must enter the stadium via the ramps, which are located behind the North and South Stands. Ramp entrances are adjacent to Gates 1 and 13 (South) and Gates 5 and 9 (North).

Will-Call
Will-call tickets can be picked up at the Clemson Athletic Ticket Office at Gate 9.







Clemson Memorial Stadium, known to Tiger faithful as "Death Valley," seats more than 81,000 loyal fans. It is located on the western side of the Clemson University campus, while the campus is only a two-hour drive from Atlanta, Charlotte, and Columbia. The beaches of coastal South Carolina are only four hours away, while the awe-inspiring sights of the Blue Ridge Mountains can be viewed just a few miles northwest of Clemson.

Driving Distances to ACC Institutions

Institution	BOC	CU	DUK	FSU	GAT	UMD	MIA	UNC	NCS	UVA	VAT	WFU
Boston College	----	989	715	1314	1094	430	1509	729	722	551	698	795
Clemson	989	----	276	395	129	554	773	273	303	437	303	217
Duke	715	276	----	639	382	266	829	12	29	220	203	80
Florida State	1314	395	639	----	270	880	518	643	614	765	667	584
Georgia Tech	1094	129	382	270	----	660	700	379	409	542	409	322
Maryland	430	554	266	880	660	----	1069	280	270	130	277	346
Miami (FL)	1509	773	829	518	700	1069	----	833	803	1029	902	811
North Carolina	729	273	12	643	379	280	833	----	32	232	200	77
N.C. State	722	303	29	614	409	270	803	32	----	251	230	107
Virginia	551	437	220	765	542	130	1029	232	251	----	143	205
Virginia Tech	698	303	203	667	409	277	902	200	230	143	----	123
Wake Forest	795	217	80	584	322	346	811	77	107	205	123	----

Note. Distances in miles.

NCAA Compliance

This brief NCAA rules education is aimed at outlining basic recruiting rules to help potential Tiger students-athletes and parents better understand the extensive process. Clemson University is committed to recruiting and conducting our athletic program with the highest level of integrity. If you have questions about NCAA rules, please contact Clemson's compliance services at (864) 656-1580 or through our website at ClemsonTigers.com and click on compliance.

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Important NCAA Terms

Academic Credentials - A prospect should check with his high school guidance office to see if he is taking classes that will meet NCAA eligibility standards. A prospect should do this early - prior to his sophomore year - and keep track of core courses. A prospect will need to take either the ACT or SAT for NCAA certification.

Contact - NCAA rules define a contact as a face-to-face interaction with a prospect and/or his parents off Clemson's campus by a coach. The NCAA sets a contact period for football prospects from late November through the end of January. That is the only time coaches can meet with a prospect away from the Clemson campus.

Core Courses - Courses at a prospect's high school that are considered college preparatory. For the class entering Clemson in 2006 and 2007, 14 core courses are required, including four in English, two in math, two in science, one additional from English, math, or science, two social sciences, and three additional courses. For the class entering Clemson in 2008, 16 core courses are required, including four in English, three in math, two in science, one additional from English, math, or science, two social sciences, and four additional courses. A high school prospect's guidance counselor will have a list of the school's core courses, or you can visit the NCAA Clearinghouse's website at NCAAClearinghouse.net for more information.

Dead Period - Recruiting period when coaches may not have face-to-face contact with prospects on or off campus. Coaches may continue to telephone and write a prospect.

Evaluation - In April and May of a prospect's junior year, coaches will come to a prospect's high school, and review his athletic and academic credentials with his coach. In the fall, they may watch a prospect compete one time, but they will not have any contact.

Home Visit - During the contact period, a senior prospect may invite college coaches to his home to meet his parents, and to talk in detail about the football program and academic offerings at any college the prospect is considering.

Receiving Mail - Prior to September 1 of a prospect's junior year, NCAA rules allow Clemson to mail a questionnaire, NCAA educational information, and a summer-camp brochure to a prospect. After September 1 of the prospect's junior year, coaches can provide a prospect with the following: personalized letters, media guide and copies of newspaper articles, instant messages and text messages. A prospect can receive a football game program when he visits the Clemson University campus.

Recruiting - A term used to describe the process of acquainting a prospect with a college and the coaches of that college, who are striving to learn more about a prospect. Only coaches can recruit - no one else is permitted to persuade a prospect to play sports at a particular college.

Prospect - Any student who has entered the ninth grade. Once a person becomes a prospect, NCAA rules define how college coaches can interact with that prospect.

Standardized Test - A prospect must take the SAT or ACT before enrolling in college full-time. A prospect may take the SAT or ACT more than once and use the best subscore from different tests to achieve the highest score. Both Clemson and the NCAA Clearinghouse require scores to be reported directly from the testing agency. When registering for the test, list the Clearinghouse Code (9999) and Clemson (511 (SAT), 3842 (ACT)). Clemson University admissions requires students to present either an SAT or ACT writing score. The writing score will not be used to determine a prospect's qualifier status.

Telephone - Clemson football coaches can call a prospect once in May of the prospect's junior year. After September 1 of a prospect's senior year, a coach can call a prospect once a week. A prospect can expect unlimited calls during the contact period, before his official visit and once the prospect has signed a National Letter of Intent.

Contact Information

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Frequently Asked Questions

- **Are a prospect's parents invited for an official visit?** Yes. NCAA rules allow a school to provide lodging and meals for parents or legal guardians who accompany their child. However, NCAA rules do not allow schools to provide transportation for parents unless they drive with their son.

- **Can a prospect visit Clemson anytime during his high school career?** Yes. A prospect can have his high school coach call Tiger coaches to set up an unofficial visit. He can attend a football game and talk with Tiger coaches, and it does not count as a contact when it is on Clemson's campus. There are times a prospect cannot visit - NCAA rules refer to them as "dead periods," and coaches will not schedule to meet with a prospect during that time period.

- **Can IPTAY members help recruit me?** No. NCAA rules are clear; only Clemson coaches can telephone, contact, and evaluate a prospect. Only college coaches can offer unofficial/official visits.

- **Is the prospect's high school coach invited for an official visit?** NCAA rules are such that high school coaches may not be provided any expenses for official visits.

- **What is a National Letter of Intent (NLI)?** It is a contract; a prospect and his parents sign a promise that the prospect will attend a particular college. In return, that college promises a prospect financial aid. A prospect signs it during his senior year (in February for football). Once the prospect signs it, he cannot be recruited by any other institution, and it is a binding contract for the prospect's first year in college at the school that provides the national letter of intent.

- **What is an official visit?** A prospect can take a total of five official visits (one per institute), which are expense-paid. Before the visit, the prospect must present a high school transcript, proof of an SAT, ACT, PACT, or PSAT test, and be registered with the NCAA Clearinghouse. Official visit invitations are extended by Tiger coaches only. Official visits may not occur prior to the first day of class of the prospect's senior year in high school.

- **What is the NCAA Clearinghouse?** It is the agency that certifies a prospect's eligibility for NCAA Division I and Division II. A prospect should register with the NCAA Clearinghouse at the end of his junior year in high school. Applications are available in the prospect's guidance office or online at www.NCAAClearinghouse.net. Cost is $50.

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- Located in the heart of Clemson's campus
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Construction of Component I of the WestZone Initiative at Memorial Stadium is ahead of schedule and will be completed for the season opener on September 2 when the Tigers play host to Florida Atlantic. Visually from the field, the area resembled a construction site during the 2005 season, but that will not be the case in 2006.

On opening day this year, Clemson fans will see a completed WestZone Club seating area that will feature over 970 new orange chairback seats, complimented by a common climate-controlled lounge area that will feature specialty food and beverage, television monitors for replays, and other exclusive amenities. The club-level seats are sold out for the 2006 season, and were actually sold out prior to construction.

Fans will also benefit from a concourse walkway that connects the North and South stands. It offers additional restrooms and concession areas, new seating for wheelchair-bound spectators, and other gameday amenities. Additional seats in the "pie" areas to the right and left of the West stands will also be completed. The new scoreboard at the East end of the Stadium, complete with state-of-the-art video replays, is also a feature of Component I, and was operational during the 2005 season.

While fans attending games at Death Valley this season will see these visible enhancements to the stadium, Clemson's student-athletes will enjoy a finished locker room area that is nearly twice the size of the previous locker room area. New wooden lockers, carpeting, and photo montages depicting the Tigers' football heritage are prominently featured in the new locker room. The visiting team's locker room was completed last season as well.

Since the announcement of the WestZone Initiative in 2004, Head Coach Tommy Bowden and his staff have seen a steady improvement in the quality of young men (athleticaily and academically) who are considering Clemson University. A look to the recruiting rankings of many services is consistent with that feeling.

The WestZone holds over 1,000 fans and has chair-back seats along with other comforts.

"It is not a coincidence that the quality of our recruiting classes has improved dramatically since we began moving dirt and pouring mortar in the West endzone of Memorial Stadium," said Bowden.

"Our fans who follow the program closely see that in the recruiting service rankings, but I see it through personal contact with the quality of young men who are now considering and selecting Clemson. As we continue to build and eventually finish the WestZone Initiative, it will help us reach the championship-quality program we all strive for."

Component II and Component III of the WestZone Initiative will have a further positive effect on Clemson recruiting efforts and the overall quality of the Tiger Athletic Program. Component II will include new offices for the football coaching staff, position-team meeting rooms, a new team meeting room, football administration offices, a player lounge area, an aquatic training facility, a lower concourse entrance area that will include personal plaques of each current Tiger, and a 15,000 square-foot strength training facility.

"The Capital Campaign's original goal was to raise $27 million," said Senior Associate Athletic Director Bill D'Andrea. "To date, we have raised $16.3 million, and I am optimistic we will raise the remaining $10.7 million that will allow us to complete Component II and move our football operations to Memorial Stadium. That is our immediate goal."

Component III will feature a Clemson Museum that will include Clemson's university, military, and athletic history, and a new Lettermen's Lounge.

Based on estimates by an architecture firm and an independent estimator, the cost to complete Component I was predicted to be $30 million when the evaluation took place in 2003. However, due to the construction market climate and the rising costs of materials, Component I cost roughly $40 million when it was completed this summer. Funds for Component I have been raised through private donations,

Clemson Recruiting Rankings

Year	PrepStar	Scout.com	Rivals.com	Lemming
2003	NR	43	67	NR
2004	NR	40	53	NR
2005	18	21	17	22
2006	14	22	15	16

NR - not ranked in top 25 (**PrepStar** and **Lemming** only rank top 25)

WestZone

James Davis on WestZone

"One of the biggest factors I considered when I was looking at schools was the commitment to the football program. The tradition is important, the fan support is important, the coaching staff is important. Facilities are very important and show a commitment you can see every day. Does Clemson want to be a championship program? The WestZone Initiative showed me that it does."

James Davis, 2005 ACC Rookie-of-the-Year

the assistance of IPTAY, existing athletic department funds, and through the issue of state bonds.

Additional funds will be needed to complete Component III, which includes the Clemson Museum and the Lettermen's Area. Former Clemson University President Phil Prince and former Executive Director of IPTAY Joe Turner are the co-chairmen of the WestZone Initiative. The total cost of the three components combined should be approximately $70 million.

"We certainly feel a sense of urgency to complete Component II and Component III," said Athletic Director Dr. Terry Don Phillips. "We have been behind in this area, and we feel the completion of this project will put us ahead when it comes to facilities. But, we are going to make sound decisions from a fiscal standpoint that won't handicap our department and university in the long-term."

The original plans for a new football administration building were developed in 1999 prior to Phillips' appointment as Clemson's athletic director, and called for a separate building constructed near the football practice fields adjacent to the Jervey Athletic Center. Phillips had administered successful projects at other institutions that combined a new football facility with the construction of a club seating area. The WestZone Club will have a positive effect on the cash-flow needed to finance the overall project. Thus, it was a featured aspect of Component I.

The WestZone will bring in revenue to help all of Clemson's athletic programs.

Dr. Phillips is committed to building a model athletic program at Clemson, and he sees seven major areas that need to be addressed in reaching this accomplishment. The WestZone Project addresses five of the seven areas. Specifically, this project will:

- recruit and nurture quality student-athletes;
- attract and retain outstanding coaches and staff;
- give Clemson competitive facilities;
- promote Clemson's school spirit and rich traditions;
- assure sound fiscal accountability.

After the 2003 season, Clemson built a new football locker room in the Jervey Athletic Center and renovated the strength training facility. A new artificial surface practice field was installed and a 53-yard indoor surface was purchased for the Indoor Track Facility for use during inclement weather.

"The renovations we made in 2004 provide our team with a quality environment during the present time, but the new facilities inside the WestZone will be among the best nationally," said Dr. Phillips.

"After meeting with Dr. Phillips on April 25, I have a general understanding of the construction schedule and finances that will be needed to complete the football operations aspect of the WestZone Initiative," said Bowden. "I have the utmost confidence in the people we have leading us in this capital campaign, and know it will be among the best football facilities in the country when it is completed."

The entire 19 sports program will benefit from the WestZone Project, because it will allow Clemson's Olympic sports improved facilities as well. The current football locker room (built in 2004) in the Jervey Athletic Center will be converted into separate locker rooms for Olympic sports. There will be less congestion and less scheduling conflicts in the strength training room at the Jervey Athletic Center. The McFadden Building will give Olympic sports more office space.

"The WestZone Initiative will become the front door to Death Valley and our athletic facilities landscape," said Dr. Phillips. "Facilities aren't the end all, but they are extremely important in the recruiting process. They can put you in position to become successful, both athletically and academically."

In 2006, Clemson signed a football recruiting class that ranked among the top 16 in the nation according to three different services. While there are many factors to consider when a young man is trying to select a university to further his career, it is apparent that facilities are an important aspect.

A new, spacious locker room was added on the ground floor of the WestZone.

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Memorial Stadium Records

Clemson Team

Total Offense	756	vs. Wake Forest, 10/31/81
Plays	95	vs. N.C. State, 10/7/00
Yards Per Play	8.7	vs. Wake Forest, 10/31/81
Rushing Yards	536	vs. Wake Forest, 10/31/81
Rush Attempts	73	vs. Virginia, 10/21/72
Yards Per Rush	10.3	vs. Presbyterian, 9/22/45
Rushing Touchdowns	11	vs. Presbyterian, 9/22/45
Passing Yards	359	vs. Temple, 10/22/05
Pass Completions	31	vs. Miami (FL)^, 9/17/05
Pass Attempts	55	vs. Miami (FL)^, 9/17/05
Pass Efficiency	235.4	vs. Virginia, 10/8/83
Passing Touchdowns	4	vs. Auburn, 11/22/47
	4	vs. Texas-El Paso, 10/4/97
	4	vs. Duke, 12/1/01
	4	vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/13/03
First Downs	35	vs. Wake Forest, 10/31/81
Points	82	vs. Wake Forest, 10/31/81
Punting Average	56.6	vs. Wake Forest, 10/29/77
Punts	13	vs. Furman, 11/21/42
	13	vs. Pensacola N.A.S., 10/13/45
Penalties	15	vs. Wake Forest, 11/2/85
	15	vs. Duke, 10/17/87
Penalty Yards	155	vs. Wake Forest, 10/29/77
Punt Return Yards	227	vs. Georgia Tech, 9/26/87
Kickoff Return Yards	165	vs. Maryland, 11/16/02
Interception Return Yards	131	vs. Western Carolina, 9/25/82
Interceptions By Defense	5	vs. Virginia, 10/31/64
	5	vs. Virginia, 10/21/72
	5	vs. Georgia, 9/19/81
	5	vs. North Carolina, 11/4/95
	5	vs. N.C. State, 10/30/04
Fumbles	14	vs. Presbyterian, 9/1/53
Fumbles Lost	5	vs. many
Sacks By Defense	12	vs. Furman, 9/7/96
Tackles for Loss	19	vs. N.C. State, 10/24/87
Pass Breakups	18	vs. The Citadel, 10/4/86

Opponent Team

Total Offense	557	by Florida State, 11/3/01
Plays	99	by South Carolina, 11/23/68
Yards Per Play	8.6	by Florida State, 11/3/01
Rushing Yards	409	by N.C. State, 10/25/75
Rush Attempts	74	by North Carolina, 11/14/70
Yards Per Rush	7.5	by Texas A&M, 9/3/05
Rushing Touchdowns	6	by N.C. State, 10/25/75
Passing Yards	454	by Georgia Tech, 10/28/00
Pass Completions	35	by Georgia Tech, 10/28/00
Pass Attempts	58	by The Citadel, 10/4/86
Passing Touchdowns	4	by N.C. State, 10/31/98
	4	by Florida State, 11/3/01
	4	by Georgia Tech, 9/11/04
First Downs	31	by Georgia Tech, 10/28/00
Points	46	by N.C. State, 10/31/98
Punting Average	57.3	by The Citadel, 10/4/86
Punts	15	by Auburn, 10/12/68
Penalties	16	by Duke, 10/17/87
Penalty Yards	127	by Georgia, 9/30/67
Punt Return Yards	150	by Florida State, 9/20/97
Interceptions By Defense	6	by Auburn, 11/21/53
Fumbles	9	by Presbyterian, 9/18/54
Fumbles Lost	6	by Duke, 10/19/68

Clemson Individual

Total Offense	378	by Woodrow Dantzler vs. Florida State, 11/3/01
Rushing Yards	263	by Raymond Priester vs. Duke, 11/11/95
Rush Attempts	36	by Ray Yauger vs. Wake Forest, 10/18/69
Passing Yards	343	by Brandon Streeter vs. Virginia, 9/11/99
Pass Completions	31	by Charlie Whitehurst vs. Miami (FL)^, 9/17/05
Pass Attempts	55	by Charlie Whitehurst vs. Miami (FL)^, 9/17/05
Completion % (min. 15 att.)	94.1	by Woodrow Dantzler vs. The Citadel, 9/2/00
Pass Efficiency	247.2	by Woodrow Dantzler vs. The Citadel, 9/2/00
Passing Touchdowns	4	by Bobby Gage vs. Auburn, 11/22/47
	4	by Nealon Greene vs. Texas-El Paso, 10/4/97
	4	by Woodrow Dantzler vs. Duke, 12/1/01
	4	by Charlie Whitehurst vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/13/03
Receptions	12	by Airese Currie vs. Middle Tennessee, 9/13/03
Receiving Yards	161	by Perry Tuttle vs. Wake Forest, 10/31/81
Receiving Touchdowns	3	by Dreher Gaskin vs. Auburn, 11/21/53
	3	by Tony Horne vs. Texas-El Paso, 10/4/97
All-Purpose Yards	267	by Tony Horne vs. Florida State, 9/20/97
Punt Return Yards	126	by Donnell Woolford vs. Georgia Tech, 9/26/87
Kickoff Return Yards	160	by John Shields vs. Alabama, 10/25/69
Interceptions	3	by Kit Jackson vs. Wake Forest, 10/30/65
	3	by Brian Dawkins vs. Duke, 11/11/95
	3	by Alex Ardley vs. Maryland, 10/14/00
Tackles	24	by Jeff Davis vs. North Carolina, 11/8/80
Sacks	4	by Keith Adams vs. Duke, 11/6/99
Tackles For Loss	6	by Keith Adams vs. Duke, 11/6/99

Opponent Individual

Total Offense	450	by George Godsey, Georgia Tech, 10/28/00
Rushing Yards	227	by Ted Brown, N.C. State, 11/25/75
Rush Attempts	38	by Torin Kirtsey, Georgia, 10/7/95
Passing Yards	454	by George Godsey, Georgia Tech, 10/28/00
Pass Completions	35	by George Godsey, Georgia Tech, 10/28/00
Pass Attempts	57	by Kip Allen, The Citadel, 10/4/86
	57	by George Godsey, Georgia Tech, 10/28/00
Receptions	14	by Kelly Campbell, Georgia Tech, 10/28/00
Receiving Yards	249	by Peter Warrick, Florida State, 9/20/97
All-Purpose Yards	374	by Peter Warrick, Florida State, 9/20/97

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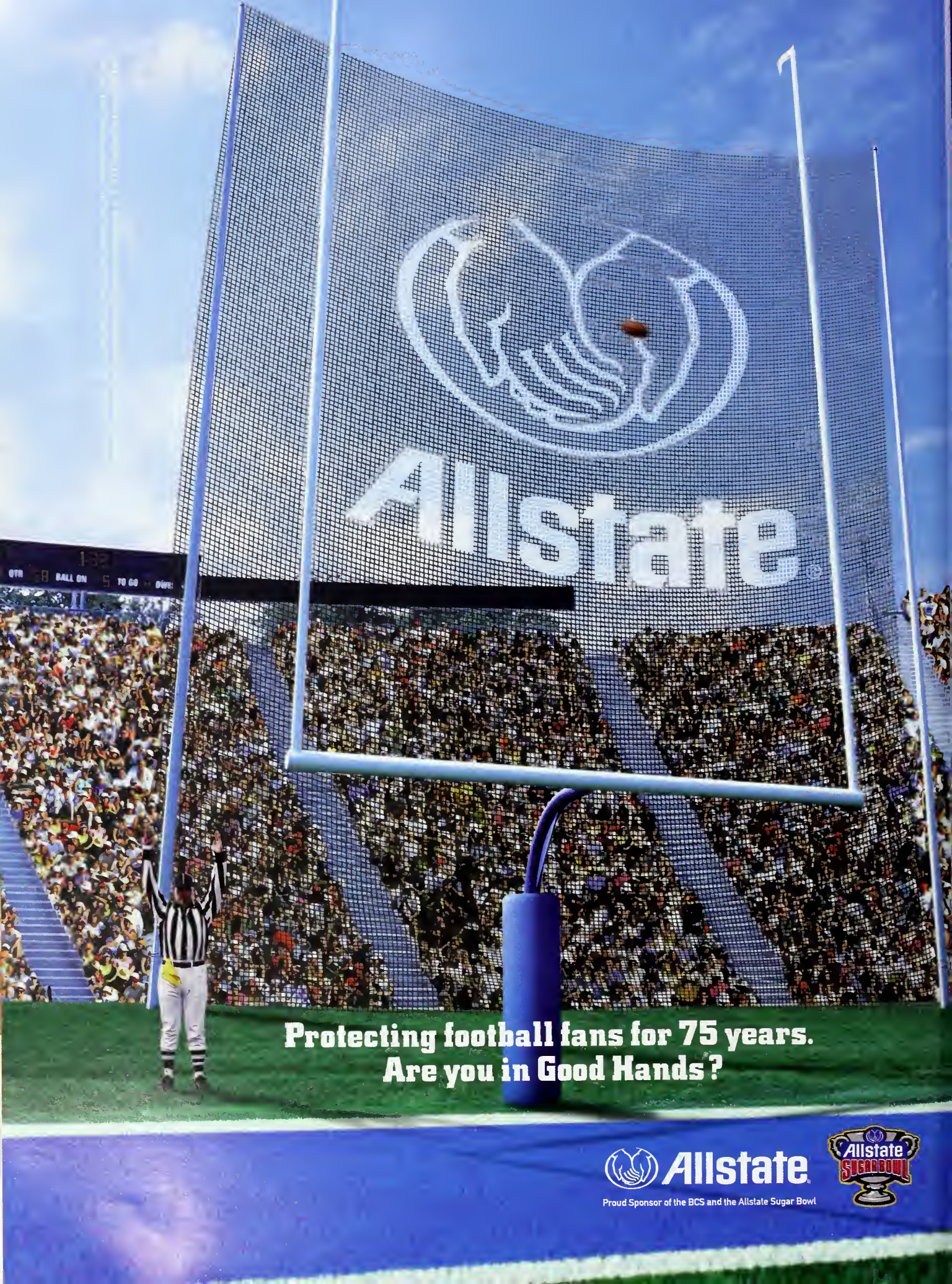
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The ACC will be using instant replay for every game during the 2006 season. In addition, the instant replay system is no longer experimental and has been added to the NCAA rule book ensuring that each conference will follow the same guidelines.

Reviewable Plays:

1. **Plays governed by sideline, goal line and end line:**
   a) Scoring plays, including a runner breaking the plane of the goal line.
   b) Pass complete/incomplete/intercepted at sideline, goal line and end line.
   c) Runner/receiver in or out of bounds.
   d) Recovery of loose ball in bounds.
   e) A loose ball touching a sideline, goal line or an end line.

2. **Passing Plays:**
   a) Pass ruled complete/incomplete/intercepted anywhere in the field of play and end zones.
   b) Touching of a forward pass by an ineligible receiver.
   c) Touching of a forward pass by a defensive player.
   d) Quarterback (passer) forward pass or fumble (if ruled incomplete, the play is finalized).
   e) Illegal forward pass or illegal handing beyond the line of scrimmage.
   f) Illegal forward pass or illegal handing after change of possession.
   g) Forward or backward pass thrown from behind the line of scrimmage.

3. **Miscellaneous Reviewable Plays:**
   a) Runner ruled to have fumbled (if ruled down, the play is not reviewable).
   b) Forward progress errors with respect to first down.
   c) Touching of a kick.
   d) Number of players on field.
   e) A scrimmage kicker beyond the line of scrimmage when the ball is kicked.
   f) Clock adjustments.
   g) Fourth-down/try fumble plays.

Not Reviewable Plays:

1. Holding.
2. Offside/encroachment.
3. Pass interference.
4. Personal fouls (e.g., late hits).
5. Illegal blocks.
6. Illegal formations.
7. Face mask.
8. Taunting/excessive celebration.
9. False starts.
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- After a review has been completed, if the on-field ruling is reversed, that team's timeout will not be charged.
- After a review has been completed, the on-field ruling is not reversed, that team's timeout counts as one of the three permitted that team for that half.
- A head coach may not challenge a ruling in which the game was stopped and a decision has already been made by the Replay Official.
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The plush atmosphere provides an interesting contrast to the physical exertion that takes place within the facility. When a Tiger student-athlete enters the etched-glass doors, he is greeted by nearly $700,000 worth state-of-the-art equipment.

The 10 plasma televisions are positioned throughout the facility and are used for training and instruction, as strength coaches film athletes and work with them on their form.

Clemson has a staff of five full-time strength coaches along with four graduate assistant coaches, and numerous student assistant coaches who ensure a Tiger football player receives as much individual attention as possible. Training programs are position specific, and are designed to meet the specific needs of each student-athlete.

Batson is one of the most highly-regarded strength coaches in the country. In his nine years directing the program, he has coached 12 strength All-Americans. He is a major reason Clemson has been to a bowl game in seven of his nine seasons. Also, eight of his former assistant strength coaches at Clemson are now strength training directors at NFL or college programs.

Strength All-Americans

1981	Jeff Davis, LB
	Jeff Bryant, DT
	Lee Nanney, OT
1983	William Perry, MG
1984	Kenny Flowers, TB
1985	Jim Riggs, TE
1986	Ty Granger, OT
1987	Danny Pearman, TE
1988	Donnell Woolford, DB
1989	Vince Taylor, LB
1990	Levon Kirkland, OLB
1991	Mike Brown, C
1992	Brentson Buckner, DT
1993	Stacy Seegars, OG
1994	Nelson Welch, PK
1995	Brian Dawkins, SS
1996	Raymond White, MG
1997	Lamont Hall, TE
1998	Jason Gamble, C
1999	Damonte McKenzie, DL
2000	Terry Jolly, DT
2001	Woodrow Dantzler, QB
	T.J. Watkins, OG
	Kyle Young, C
2002	Nick Eason, DT
2003	John Leake, LB
	Gregory Walker, OT
2004	Leroy Hill, LB
2005	Steven Jackson, FB

Dedication Award

1985	Kenny Flowers, TB
	John Phillips, OG
1986	Ty Granger, OT
1987	Mark Drag, MG
1988	Jeff Bak, C
	Mark Drag, MG
1989	Levon Kirkland, OLB
1990	Arthur Bussie, DT
	Curtis Whitley, C
1991	Ashley Sheppard, OLB
1992	Warren Forney, DT
1993	Ed Glenn, TE
	Stephon Wynn, TE
1994	Ed Glenn, TE
1995	Patrick Sapp, OLB
1996	Raymond White, MG
1997	Jason Gamble, C
1998	Jason Gamble, C
1999	Kyle Young, C
2000	Kyle Young, C
	Nick Eason, DT
2001	Chad Carson, LB
	Kyle Young, C
2002	Nick Eason, DT
	Jackie Robinson, WR
2003	Tony Elliott, WR
	J.J. Howard, DE
2004	Maurice Fountain, DE
	Steven Jackson, FB
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Left to right: Spencer Lovelace, Dennis Love, Jason Williamson, David Abernethy, Joey Batson, Larry Greenlee, David Helms, Daniel Hurst.

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As Clemson prepares itself for another exciting game against state-rival South Carolina, Tiger Band looks back at the year that has quickly gone by. For many, this season was just the beginning of a good marching program.

This year, Tiger Band enjoyed a new beginning, as Dr. Brian Sproul joined the director's staff. Sproul serves as the Assistant Director of Bands, Director of the Jazz Band, and will act as the conductor for the Concert Band in the spring.

Before coming to Clemson, Sproul earned his bachelor's degree from Georgia, a master's from Utah, and he will receive a doctor of musical arts degree from Alabama at graduation ceremony this semester. While at Utah, Sproul served as Assistant Director of Bands, as well as Director of the Marching Band.

Sproul is affiliated with Phi Mu Alpha National Music Fraternity and has membership in the College Band Directors National Association. Also, during his time at Utah, Sproul had the opportunity to serve as one of the directors for the Salt Lake 2002 Olympic Spirit Band. The Olympic Spirit Band performed at many of the venues during the winter games, as well as the Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

The Clemson University Band program considers itself very lucky to have Dr. Sproul as a part of its staff. Faculty and students alike look forward to time well spent with Dr. Sproul in the coming seasons.

While Dr. Sproul is just beginning to put his stamp on the Clemson campus, several Tiger Band members are celebrating their last game in Memorial Stadium today. As students at Clemson, these graduating seniors are flooded with good memories. From cookie break in Harcombe to endless hours spent in Cooper library, the campus holds a part of their spirit, and they will carry the Clemson Tiger spirit with them wherever they go.

One aspect of their experience as Clemson students that will play constantly in their memory is the time spent with Tiger Band. After walking across the stage this December, next May, or next August, these students will be able to walk across the stage and not only say "I went to Clemson," but also "I was in Tiger Band."

They can say they were a part of hot band camps, Halloween costume contests, weekends in Panama City, trips to see Mickey Mouse during bowl trips, frigid gameday rehearsals, the musical experience of "Tiger Rag" during "the most exciting 25 seconds in college football," and so much more. These are moments in their lives that will last forever.

Senior horn player David Rest is finishing his fifth marching season and looks back on his time in Tiger Band fondly. "Joining Tiger Band was the best decision I ever made at Clemson," Rest said with a smile. "I had so much fun after four years that I decided to stick around for an extra year of music and to support the Tigers, especially at away games and bowl games!"

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Dear old Clemson, we will triumph
And with all our might
That the Tigers' roar may echo
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Thank you to all of our seniors for the contribution you have made to the Clemson spirit! And welcome to Dr. Sproul from all of Clemson. May the future bring great things for each of you.

Tiger Band Seniors

Member	Major	Position
Anna Alverson	Animal Veterinary Science	Color guard
Lauren Brock	Sociology	Dancer
Eric Bucholz	Materials Engineering	Baritone
Kim Doney	Marketing	Piccolo
Jessica Duke	Nursing	Color guard
Torez Edwards	Language & International Trade	Baritone
Lauren Fox	Industrial Engineering	Percussion
Mishelle Gossett	Nursing	Piccolo
Rachel Herold	Biology	Trumpet
Hoke Hill	Horticulture	Sousaphone
Kristen Holloway	Marketing	Dancer
Samotria Holmes	Marketing	Sousaphone
Renata Jones	Psychology	Clarinet
John Litcher	Business Management	Percussion
Kristin Mott	Textile Management	Clarinet
Janet Murphy	Architecture	Manager
Josh Nealy	Computer Engineering	Percussion
Zach Nicks	Community Recreation	Percussion
Kyle Pearson	Secondary Education	Tenor Saxophone
Deshaundra Pondexter	Packaging Science	Baritone
David Rest	Spanish Education	Horn
Samantha Russell	Pre-Vet	Color guard
Tammy Schwalm	Genetics	Color guard
Bryce Seifert	Genetics	Percussion
Deborah Threadgill	Performing Arts	Piccolo
Ric Ward	Civil Engineering	Percussion
Suzanne Weaver	Biochemistry	Drum Major

"Tiger Rah!"

What is that song that Tiger Band plays after every Clemson field goal? It is "Tiger Rah!" It was the official fight song for Clemson from the mid 1930s until the 1948 season. "Tiger Rag" appeared in Clemson in 1948 and eventually replaced "Tiger Rah!" as the school's fight song, but "Tiger Rah!" continued to be played. In 1972, however, the tune was removed from Tiger Band's repertoire due to a section of Dixie that appeared within its lines. But in 2003, Director of Bands Dr. Mark Spede rearranged "Tiger Rah!," removing the section of Dixie. Tiger Band performs the song after every field goal to celebrate the history and tradition of Clemson University.

Tiger Band CD

You can take home the sounds of Tiger Band by purchasing the group's CD, "We're An American Band." It features more than 30 tracks of favorites from previous seasons. It includes "Sock it to 'Em," "Tiger Rag," the Clemson alma mater, and a special emphasis on patriotic songs. It is available at the Tiger Band Office (119 Brooks Center) for $15. To order by mail, send a check for $17 payable to CUTBA c/o Clemson Tiger Band, 119 Brooks Center, Clemson, SC 29634-1505.

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2006-07 Clemson Athletics

Michelle Rogers and the indoor track & field teams will compete in the Clemson Opener on Friday and Saturday (December 1,2).

Date	Day	Sport & Opponent	Time
Nov. 25	Sat.	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. TBA in Dead River Company Classic @ Orono, ME	TBA
Nov. 29	Wed.	**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Furman**	**7:00 PM**
		MEN'S BASKETBALL at Minnesota in ACC/Big 10 Challenge	9:30 PM
Dec. 1	Fri.	**MEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD in Clemson Opener**	**5:00 PM**
		WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD in Clemson Opener	**5:00 PM**
Dec. 2	Sat.	**MEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD In Clemson Opener**	**11:00 AM**
		WOMEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD in Clemson Opener	**11:00 AM**
		MEN'S BASKETBALL at South Carolina	1:00 PM
Dec. 3	Sun.	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL at Vanderbilt	5:00 PM
Dec. 5	Tue.	**MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Wofford**	**7:30 PM**
Dec. 6	Wed.	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL at James Madison	7:00 PM
Dec. 10	Sun.	**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Kennesaw State**	**3:00 PM**
Dec. 17	Sun.	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL at Tennessee Tech	2:30 PM
Dec. 19	Tue.	**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Dayton**	**5:00 PM**
		MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Georgia Southern	**7:30 PM**
Dec. 22	Fri.	**WOMEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Wofford**	**2:00 PM**
Dec. 23	Sat.	**MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Western Carolina**	**12:00 PM**
Dec. 28	Thu.	**MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Georgia**	**7:30 PM**
Dec. 29	Fri.	WOMEN'S BASKETBALL at Duquesne	7:00 PM
Dec. 31	Sun.	**MEN'S BASKETBALL vs. Georgia State**	**2:00 PM**

* - ACC regular-season game/match; Note: **Bold** denotes event hosted by Clemson; all times are EST.

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Tigers in the NFL

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Keith Adams • LB • Miami Dolphins

In the NFL: Drafted by the Eagles in April of 2001 and made his first career start on September 12, 2004 against the Giants...had 54 tackles in 2004 and finished second on the team in special teams tackles (24)...had a career-high 69 tackles in 2005 with Philadelphia...played in Super Bowl XXXIX with the Philadelphia Eagles...has played in eight games as a reserve with Miami in 2006.

At Clemson: Led the nation in tackles (186), tackles for loss (35), and was second in sacks (16) in 1999...earned All-America honors in 2000...finalist for the Butkus Award in 2000...holds the school record for most tackles in a game (27 against rival South Carolina in 1999)...ACC Defensive Player-of-the-Year in 1999 and runner-up the following year...two-time First-Team All-ACC selection...finished his career with 379 tackles, 54 tackles for loss, and 23 sacks in just three years...turned professional after his junior season.

Charles Bennett • DE • Tampa Bay Buccaneers

In the NFL: Defensive end with Tampa Bay in his rookie season...has played in one game...drafted in the seventh round in April of 2006.

At Clemson: Consistent defensive end who was a big reason Clemson was 11th in the nation in scoring defense in 2005...veteran of 46 career games and 22 starts...went over the 1,000 mark in career plays in the win over #19 South Carolina...starter during the last two years...started 22 of the last 23 games...finished with 27.5 career tackles for loss, including 14 as a junior and 12.5 as a senior...two of his three interceptions were huge plays at the end of games...had an interception against N.C. State on the last play of the game at the goal line to preserve a six-point victory in 2004, then had an interception off a tipped pass on South Carolina's final play to preserve a 13-9 win in 2005.

Airese Currie • WR • Chicago Bears

In the NFL: Fifth-round draft pick in April of 2005...on injured reserve list in 2005 and has been on the active roster in 2006, but yet to have a reception for the NFC's top team...has been limited by injuries again this season; he has appeared in just one game.

At Clemson: First-Team All- ACC in 2004...led the ACC with 5.5 receptions per game in 2004...first Tiger since 1980 to lead the ACC in receptions...finished his career tied for seventh with Brian Wofford on the all-time list for receptions (138) and was sixth in receiving yards (2,030)...Chansi Stuckey is right behind him and could overtake him in his final home game today...had 10 touchdowns and a 14.7-yards-per-catch average over his career...played in the Senior Bowl in 2004...three-time All-ACC track performer for the Tigers.

Brian Dawkins • FS • Philadelphia Eagles

In the NFL: Regarded as one of the top safeties in the NFL; he is a future NFL Hall of Fame candidate...five-time Pro Bowl selection who was ninth on the Eagles' all-time games played list (141) entering this season; he is now at 150...one of just four players in NFL history to record at least 28 interceptions and 17 sacks...earned Pro Bowl selections following the 1999, 2000, 2001, 2004, and 2005 seasons...has recorded four career playoff interceptions, second-most on Philadelphia's all-time list...in 2004, he was second on the team with three interceptions and third with 125 tackles, the second-best total of his career...named as a Pro Bowl injury replacement in 2005 after he had 51 tackles in seven games...named the Eagles' Defensive MVP with a career-high 131 tackles in 2002; also recorded three sacks, two interceptions, and seven caused fumbles...against the Texans, he became the first player in NFL history to have a sack, interception, recovered fumble, and touchdown reception in a single game...has started every game this year and had 51 tackles in the first nine games along with an interception.

At Clemson: Second-team All-American as a senior in 1995...had a team-high six interceptions during the course of that season, three of which came in one quarter against Duke...two-time All-ACC selection...tied for second in all-time takeaways (15)...finished his career with (234) tackles and 11 interceptions...Senior Bowl invitee...led the ACC in interceptions (6) in 1995...earned his undergraduate degree in education.

Nick Eason • DT • Cleveland Browns

In the NFL: In his third year with the Cleveland Browns...drafted by Denver, but never played in a game; he was on the Broncos' practice squad...had 19 tackles and two sacks while playing in all 16 games in 2005...has played in six games so far this season with eight tackles.

At Clemson: First-Team All-ACC selection in 2002...had 64 tackles and seven sacks from his defensive tackle spot...named a strength All American in 2002...finished 15th on the Tiger career sack list...played in the Senior Bowl in 2003...was a five-time winner of the ACC Top Six Award, given to student-athletes who exhibit extraordinary community service; he was the only five-time member of that team in Tiger history...earned his marketing degree in August of 2001, then earned a graduate school degree two years later.

Rod Gardner • WR • Kansas City Chiefs

In the NFL: Reserve wide receiver with the Kansas City Chiefs...has played in seven games this year and has two receptions...played with two teams in 2005 (Carolina, Green Bay)...in sixth year in the NFL; he has over 3,000 receiving yards...finished 2005 with the Packers; he caught four passes for 67 yards...played four years with the Washington Redskins and had a productive career, including a 1,000-yard season...had 51 receptions for 650 yards and five touchdowns in 2004, his final year when he played under Steve Spurrier...had 59 catches for 600 yards and five touchdowns in 2003; he also threw a pair of touchdown passes that season on reverse plays...had his best year in 2002 when he had 71 receptions for 1,006 yards and eight touchdowns; he was 13th in the NFC in receiving that year...as a rookie in 2001, he had 46 catches for a team-best 741 yards; he also averaged 16.1 yards per catch, best on the team...started all 16 games as a rookie; he had four touchdown receptions of at least 40 yards.

Nick Eason, in his third year with the Browns, is one of a few NFL players that has both an undergraduate and graduate degree.

At Clemson: First-team All-American in 2000...only player in the nation in 2000 to be a first-team All American, a first-round draft pick, and earn his college degree...second in Tiger history in career receptions (166)...only receiver in school history to have two 1,000-yard receiving seasons...set 11 school records overall...responsible for the game-winning touchdown against rival South Carolina in 1999; he then set up the winning field goal the following year with a last-second catch from Woodrow Dantzler...tied the school record for touchdown receptions in a game (3) against North Carolina in 2000.

Chris Gardocki • P • Pittsburgh Steelers

In the NFL: Veteran punter who has played more NFL seasons (16) and more NFL games (237) than any other former Clemson player in history...holds the NFL record with 1,145 consecutive punts without a block through games of November 13; he has never had a punt blocked in his career...named First-Team All-Pro in 1996 by **Sporting News**, **Pro Football Weekly**, and **Sports Illustrated**; he also played in the Pro Bowl for AFC that year...Second-Team All-Pro by **UPI** and **Football News** in 1996...starter for the Super Bowl Champion Pittsburgh Steelers in 2005...has had 12 consecutive seasons with at least a 41-yard punting average...has had 317 career punts inside the 20 and has punted the ball over 49,000 yards, or 27.84 miles.

At Clemson: Multi-talented placekicker and punter who was an All-American in 1989 and 1990...inducted into the Clemson Hall of Fame in 2001...holds the season and career records for punting average, and the record for most career points per game...holds the record for most consecutive extra points (72)...three-time All-ACC selection by **UPI**...the last punt in his career was a 78-yard boot against South Carolina...tied the school record for longest field goal; he made a 57-yard kick against Appalachian State in 1990...fourth in the nation in both punting and field goals per game as a junior, just the second player in NCAA history to accomplish that feat.

Leroy Hill • LB • Seattle Seahawks

In the NFL: Selected in the third round of the 2005 NFL draft by the Seattle Seahawks...played in the Super Bowl his rookie year and started nine games; he had 72 tackles and 7.5 sacks for that rookie year...also a starter in 2006, he has 50 tackles in first eight games, plus two sacks...Hill was the second-leading tackler on the team in 2005 when he played in the Super Bowl.

At Clemson: Two-time First-Team All ACC selection over the course of his career...ACC Defensive Player-of-the-Year in 2004...first-team All-American by Rivals.com and third-team All-American by **AP** as a senior...played in the Senior Bowl for the South team and was named the Defensive MVP...finished his career with 48 tackles for loss and 16 sacks...14th in Clemson history in sacks and tied for fifth with 48 tackles behind the line of scrimmage...15th in school history with 311 tackles, 251 of which came during his final two seasons as a Tiger...concluded his career by notching at least one tackle for loss in 22 of his final 24 games.

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Tye Hill • CB • Saint Louis Rams

In the NFL: First-round draft pick of the Saint Louis Rams; he has started three of the first nine games this season...had an interception against Denver in his first career game...had 22 tackles in his first nine games with the Rams.

At Clemson: First-team All-American as a senior when he was also a first-round draft pick and earned his degree; he was one of just seven Division I players to do all three that year...finalist for the Thorpe Award, the first Clemson defensive back to receive that honor...First-Team All-ACC in 2005...set the Clemson record for pass breakups in 2004 when he had 21, among the top-10 figures in the nation...started his career as a running back in 2002, then he was a starting cornerback his final three seasons.

Corey Hulsey • OL • Oakland Raiders

In the NFL: Signed with the Raiders in 2004 and played in the final three games of the season; he has been with the team ever since...started for Oakland against Seattle in a recent Monday night game on **ESPN** this year...in his sixth season in the NFL...played for Buffalo in 2001...turned professional after his junior year (1998)...veteran of 37 NFL games through November 13, 2006.

At Clemson: Second-Team All-ACC selection in 1998 as a junior...started at offensive guard in all 11 games as a 335-pounder, the biggest starting offensive guard in school history...still the only offensive lineman in Clemson history to leave a year early for the NFL.

John Leake • LB • Atlanta Falcons

In the NFL: Signed by the Falcons on January 7, 2005...originally signed by the Tennessee Titans on April 27, 2004...played with Green Bay and Atlanta in 2005, and is now back with Atlanta as a special teams player...had two tackles in his first seven games as a special teams player for Atlanta this year.

At Clemson: Fifth-leading tackler (443) in Clemson history...played in the 2004 East-West Shrine Game in San Francisco, CA...selected as the team's 2003 Solid Rock Award winner for his solid, consistent, and dependable play at his position...2003 Strength All-American...his 49 career games played are second-most in school history...started each of the last 38 of those games during the 2001-03 seasons...10th in the ACC in 2003 in tackles per game...named Honorable Mention All-ACC three times.

Dexter McCleon • CB • Houston Texans

In the NFL: In his 10th season in the NFL; he is a starter with the Houston Texans...veteran of 141 games in the NFL; he had 15 tackles in the first nine game this year...played in 11 games in 2005 for Kansas City, starting five at right cornerback...made 24 tackles with two interceptions and four passes defended in 2005 with Kansas City...started 16 games at cornerback in his first season with Chiefs in 2003; he totaled 64 tackles...had six interceptions in 2003, tied for fourth in the AFC and tied for seventh in the NFL...earned a Super Bowl Championship ring with Saint Louis in 1999...had a career-high eight interceptions, second-most in the NFL, in 2000 when he played for NFC Championship Rams.

At Clemson: First-Team All-ACC cornerback in 1996...started on defense for four years; he also played quarterback as a freshman...played two years on the baseball team...in the top 15 in the nation in punt returns in 1993...started in the Peach Bowl at quarterback against Kentucky, a Tiger victory...led Clemson to victory over a top-20 Virginia team as a quarterback in 1993 when he had 127 yards rushing...had 28 career pass breakups, seventh-best in school history...earned a degree in management.

Third-year cornerback Justin Miller is regarded as one of the NFL's best return men. He already has two kickoff returns for touchdowns this season with the Jets.

Justin Miller • CB • New York Jets

In the NFL: In his second year in the NFL; he is already regarded as the top kickoff return threat in the league...has two kickoff returns for touchdowns this year and three for his career; that includes a 103-yarder...named the AFC Special Teams Player-of-the-Month for October this year...had his most successful return game against Buffalo when he had 221 yards on six kickoff returns, including a 95-yard touchdown; also started at cornerback and was credited with three solo tackles and a pass breakup...leads the NFL in kickoff return average (30.1)...selected by the Jets in the second round (#57 overall) of the 2005 draft...established a new Jet single-season record for return yards with 1,577 on a team-record 60 returns as a rookie...started eight games at cornerback as a rookie and had 44 tackles.

At Clemson: Set the NCAA single-game record for kickoff return yards (282) at Florida State in 2004; he had two kickoff returns for touchdowns in that game...ended his career with a 30.7-yard kickoff return average, the best in ACC history and the fourth-best in NCAA history...finished his career with 50 kickoff returns for 1,534 yards; that 30.7-yard average is actually the best in NCAA history given a minimum of 50 returns...led the nation in kickoff returns in 2004 with a 33.1-yard average on 20 returns...among the final 12 for the Thorpe Award in 2004...concluded his career third in Tiger history in interceptions (13), trailing only College Football Hall inductee Terry Kinard, who had 15...had eight of his 13 career interceptions during his freshman year when he was a first-team freshman All-American by every service that picked a team...Second-Team All-ACC as a cornerback in 2002 and 2004; was also a Second-Team All-ACC pick as a return specialist in 2004.

Trevor Pryce • DT • Denver Broncos

In the NFL: In his first year with the Baltimore Ravens...one of the top defensive linemen in the NFL over the last 10 years; he is a four-time Pro Bowl selection...has 68.5 sacks in his career, including 4.5 in 2006...in 2005, he started all 16 games and totaled 41 tackles (35 solo), and had a share of the team lead with four sacks; he was a big reason Denver had the second-best rushing defense in the NFL that year...named captain of the Denver defense in 2003 when he had 8.5 sacks and 51 tackles...selected to the Pro Bowl for the fourth consecutive season in 2002...started all 16 games at left defensive end in 2002 and posted 61 tackles (51 solo), including a team-leading nine sacks, which tied for seventh-most in the AFC...voted to start in the Pro Bowl for the third year in a row in 2001; he was Second-Team All-Pro by **Associated Press**...had 13 sacks in 1999 when he was second in AFC; it was among the top-10 figures in franchise history...member of two Super Bowl Championship teams, which were his first two seasons in the NFL.

At Clemson: Transferred from Michigan to play one year (1996) at Clemson...First-Team All-ACC in 1996...started off slowly but flourished by the end of the year, as he had 20 tackles for loss and 7.5 sacks in 1996...Defensive MVP of Clemson's Peach Bowl loss to Louisiana State with three tackles for loss, a sack, and a caused fumble...played in 20 games at Michigan in 1993,94...turned professional a year early out of Clemson and was a first-round draft pick.

Charlie Whitehurst • QB • San Diego Chargers

In the NFL: Second on the depth chart behind Philip Rivers with the San Diego Chargers...appeared in one game and scored a touchdown on a 14-yard run in his first professional game.

At Clemson: Led Clemson to victory over Colorado in the Champs Sports Bowl in his final game to give him 25 wins as a starting quarterback, second-most in Clemson history...had eight fourth-quarter comeback wins in his career, tied for most among active Division I quarterbacks in 2005...had seven career wins over top-25 teams, tying the school career record with Rodney Williams...four of his 25 career wins as a starter were against rival South Carolina, as he was the only quarterback in the 103-game history of the series to post a 4-0 record...was 2-1 against Florida State, including a 16-point win in 2003 and a 21-point win in 2005...Second-Team All-ACC quarterback in 2005...set 46 Clemson records when he graduated, including marks for career passing yardage, career completions, career touchdown passes, career completion percentage, and season completion percentage...had eight 300-yard passing games in his career, more than any other Tiger in history...finished his career at Clemson third in ACC history in career passing yards and fourth in career total offense.

Kevin Youngblood • WR • Atlanta Falcons

In the NFL: In his third season in the NFL...started the year on Atlanta's active roster; he played in one regular-season game; he is now on the practice squad.

At Clemson: Fifth in school history with 142 career receptions...Honorable Mention All-ACC in 2003...has two of the top-10 reception seasons in Clemson history with 70 in 2003 and 59 in 2002...Gridiron Classic participant...caught the game-winning touchdown pass from Charlie Whitehurst against Virginia in 2003...his 897 receiving yards in 2003 are seventh-most in school history.

Summaries written by Anthony Waters, a senior from Lake View, SC, and a student intern in the Clemson Sports Information Office. List includes players who finished their careers at Clemson and have played in at least one NFL game so far this season.

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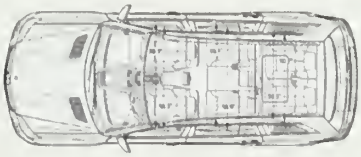

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Sitting on a Dream

BY DOT YANDLE

The story goes that Thomas Green Clemson's hunting dogs responded only to his commands. That was because he had trained them in French.

From 1838 when he married John C. Calhoun's beautiful daughter, Anna Maria, until his death in 1888, it was clear that Mr. Clemson stood out in one way or another from his upcountry South Carolina neighbors. He was not what we'd call a local boy.

If not distinguished from the crowd by his French-friendly dogs, Clemson would have certainly been so by his looks. Standing 6 feet 6 inches tall and wearing size 14 shoes, he was hard to ignore in a crowd. Handsome in his earlier years, charming and hospitable, Clemson got plenty of attention from his new neighbors when he and Anna Maria lived at the Fort Hill plantation during much of the first four years of their marriage.

Yet the thing that ultimately most set him apart from others was what went on inside his head. Thomas Clemson had a dream. And during 2007, the bicentennial year of his birth, we'll be celebrating both the dreamer and the outcome of his vision.

Clemson considered himself a Southerner from the time of his marriage on and gave long and serious thought in his declining years as to the best way he could help South Carolina recover from the Civil War. The solution he devised, with input and support from his wife, has impacted the lives of more than 125,600 men and women who have received degrees over the past 113 years since Clemson Agricultural College first opened its campus to 446 students. Countless others have benefited from special studies and public service activities through the years.

Today, we are sitting on — and surrounded by — Thomas Clemson's dream.

Quest for Knowledge

He had been born in Philadelphia in July 1807. Son of a wealthy merchant and his wife, he lived a privileged and adventurous life, acquiring a classical education and credentials that led to his profession as a mining engineer in the years before his marriage at age 31.

Clemson's father had died when he was a boy of seven but left him a generous legacy that ensured a superior education. The young Clemson enrolled at 16 at what is now Norwich University in Vermont, where he received basic instruction in both the arts and sciences. Three years later, he was studying at the Sorbonne in Paris, where he also attended the Royal School of Mines. There he received a diploma as an assayer.

In Paris, Clemson developed an enduring appetite for the arts and for intellectual life. He spoke fluent French and several other languages. He began to paint. He played the piano and violin. As a student, he participated in 1830 in the overthrow of Charles X. And he took great pleasure in the exhilarating social life of Paris.

Life of Accomplishment

Clemson returned to the United States at age 26 and rapidly began accruing reputation and fortune in his field. He traveled widely, and on one of his frequent trips to Washington met Senator Calhoun's daughter. They married the same year after a whirlwind courtship.

Using his influence as U.S. secretary of state, Calhoun saw his son-in-law, with whom he shared a close personal and intellectual relationship, named charge d'affaires to King Leopold's Court in Belgium in 1844. The Clemsons remained there until spring of 1851, the year after Calhoun's death, when they returned to the United States to live in Maryland.

Anna Maria

The years abroad had been highly successful as well as stimulating for Clemson and Anna Maria. There, Clemson began collecting art and interesting furniture — both for himself and for friends at home. One chair from this period, a distinctive gift from the king, is in the parlor of Fort Hill today.

Clemson's interest in scientific education was evident during the Maryland years. He was instrumental in the establishment of Maryland Agriculture College, now the University of Maryland. In 1860, he worked for the federal government in Washington as superintendent of agricultural affairs, a precursor to the new position of secretary of agriculture.

The next year, war began. Although his wife remained on their property in Maryland, Clemson — though conflicted in his mind about secession — joined the Confederacy along with his son, John Calhoun Clemson. Some years after the war, Fort Hill passed to Anna Maria and became home to the family until Clemson's death at age 81.

Plight of the South

Despite the variety and accomplishment of his early life and middle age, we tend to remember Thomas Clemson as a sad and lonely elderly man, brooding about past losses and sitting on his porch at Fort Hill pondering the dismal present and dim future of the South. He was sometimes irascible, too, feuding with neighbors over cows and fences and contested millponds, or dunning relatives for overdue loan payments.

Granted, Clemson had much to keep him awake at night. His personal losses over the years were so great that one can understand his once having compared his life to Job's. He and Anna Maria had lost all four of their children: an infant daughter who lived only three weeks, Cornelia to scarlet fever at age three, Floride (Mrs. Gideon Lee) suddenly in July of 1871 and John Calhoun just 17 days later in a railroad accident near Seneca. Then Mrs. Clemson herself died in 1875, leaving her husband alone at Fort Hill to think about the dream they had shared over the years.

Vision into Reality

The dream was a college that would educate South Carolina's youth and provide help for the impoverished people of the state. It would be a place for current and future generations to learn the means for bracing up the collapsed economy of the South.

It would be called Clemson Agricultural College, and in his famous will, signed in 1886, Clemson describes it in the beautiful term, "a high seminary of learning." He left what he always called "the Fort Hill place," some 814 acres of land and about $80,000 in cash and securities to the state in order to make it happen.

Despite his outward dourness in advanced age, Clemson's heart was ever warm toward his adopted state and region. His yearning to see education make an impact on the lives of South Carolina's suffering people influenced his lasting legacy. Mr. Clemson would be proud to see what his dream has created.

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By Brian Hennessy

Expectations are again high for Clemson baseball in 2007. Fresh off a 2006 season when the Tigers captured the ACC regular-season and tournament titles along with making their 11th trip to the College World Series, Head Coach Jack Leggett believes this team can achieve those same goals and contend for the national title.

"Our goals are to repeat some of the same accomplishments of last year," said Leggett, who is entering his 14th season as the head coach of the Tiger program. "We'll strive to win the regular-season and ACC Tournament titles again, host a regional and super regional, and find a way to Omaha to play for the national championship. We have a lot of things to take care of along the way."

Those things include playing in one of the toughest conferences in the country, as the ACC sent four teams to Omaha a season ago. For the second straight year, the Tigers will play a 30-game league schedule, but Clemson will not face North Carolina during the regular season.

The Tigers do, however, still play a difficult non-conference slate, including games against South Carolina (4), Georgia (2), College of Charleston (1), Elon (1), and Winthrop (1), all teams that played in the 2006 NCAA Tournament.

"Our schedule is tough, and I think it will prepare us for where I think we need to be at the end of the year," the owner of 985 career wins explained.

The players that will face the challenging schedule will be familiar to Tiger fans, as Clemson returns five of its eight starters in the field, including all four infielders.

"We must replace some of the good players from last year's team, but the nucleus is back," said Leggett. "We have a strong group of infielders returning, as all four starting infielders from last year's team are back. I don't think that has ever happened since I've been coaching.

"Centerfielder Brad Chalk is back as well. We've got some great players to pick from in right field, left field, and behind the plate, and I think we're going to find some players that do a great job.

"We could have a very exciting team. We have some experience coming back on offense. We may not have as much power as we have had in the past, but we'll be a different type of team, and we'll be able to execute and make things exciting. I really believe that our pitching depth is going to be as strong as last year's as well."

In order for Clemson to up its total of 20 consecutive NCAA Tournament appearances, the pitching staff must live up to his billing. And since all three weekend starters departed campus last year, the likes of David Kopp, Ryan Hinson, P.J. Zocchi, and Sean Clark are the ones that must fill the void.

Those four pitchers will vie for the three weekend spots. Kopp is a junior righty who has shown flashes of dominance with his outstanding changeup. Two more righthanders, Zocchi and Clark, came on late in 2006 to be clutch performers. Clark, who was not even on the 25-man travel roster during the regular season, earned the win in a masterful performance in Clemson's ACC Tournament Championship victory over N.C. State. Hinson, a sophomore, is a power pitcher from the left side.

Righthanders Stephen Clyne and Matt Vaughn along with lefties Chris Fidrych, Alex Martin, and William Bond all have spent at least one year in the program. Righties Alan Farina, Justin Sarratt, Brock Schnabel, Graham Stoneburner, and Josh Thrailkill along with lefty Matt Zoltak are six newcomers who will add depth to Kevin O'Sullivan's pitching staff.

Lefthander Daniel Moskos returns as the closer. In 2006, he was unhittable at times when he totaled 10 saves and a 2.52 ERA in 33 relief appearances. The Alta Loma, CA native, who is an **NCBWA** Preseason Second-Team All-American, also spent this past summer as the closer for Team USA, as he helped the team to the gold medal.

In the field, one of Clemson's biggest concerns is replacing the leadership and defensive abilities of catcher Adrian Casanova. Alex Burg and Doug Hogan are prime candidates for the starting job, as both have seen valuable innings behind the plate. Buddy Munroe is a talented freshman who will also compete for the starting role, however, he has been hampered by injury. Walk-on Adam Ward will provide depth at the position as well.

Senior Marquez Smith returns at third base after a successful first season in the Tiger program. Junior shortstop Stan Widmann fills out the other spot on the left side of the infield with two years of starting experience at the position.

On the right side, Taylor Harbin brings his fielding prowess to second base for the third straight year after committing just six errors in 2006. He also brings intangibles in terms of leadership and a strong work ethic to practice every day.

First-baseman Andy D'Alessio is Clemson's most highly-touted player. The **NCBWA** Preseason First-Team All-American hit 23 homers with 85 RBIs last year on his way to being a semifinalist for the Dick Howser Trophy.

Senior Andy D'Alessio, who had 23 home runs and 85 RBIs in 2006, is an NCBWA Preseason First-Team All-American.

Tim Morris and Ben Paulsen, son of Assistant Head Coach Tom Riginos, are two tall freshmen who will compete for innings at first base as well as DH. Freshmen J.D. Burgess and Ryan Cooper along with walk-ons David Bunnell and Michael Gegorek will also compete at the middle infield positions.

Clemson must replace first-round draft pick Tyler Colvin in left field and the steady bat of Travis Storrer in right field. D.J. Mitchell saw considerable action in the postseason at right field when Storrer went down with an injury. Red-shirt freshman Wilson Boyd showed a promising bat in his first year in the program as well.

2007 Schedule

Date	Day	Opponent	Time
2-16	Fri.	George Mason	4:00
2-17	Sat.	George Mason	2:00
2-18	Sun.	George Mason	12:00
2-21	Wed.	High Point	4:00
2-23	Fri.	Pacific	4:00
2-24	Sat.	Pacific	2:00
2-25	Sun.	Pacific	12:00
2-28	Wed.	Winthrop	4:00
3-3	Sat.	South Carolina	2:00
3-4	Sun.	at South Carolina	1:30
3-7	Wed.	Coastal Carolina	4:00
3-9	Fri.	Memphis	4:00
3-10	Sat.	Memphis	2:00
3-11	Sun.	Memphis	1:00
3-14	Wed.	Georgia Southern	7:15
3-16	Fri.	* Duke	7:15
3-17	Sat.	* Duke	4:00
3-18	Sun.	* Duke	1:00
3-20	Tue.	at Western Carolina	7:00
3-23	Fri.	* at Maryland	7:00
3-24	Sat.	* at Maryland	1:00
3-25	Sun.	* at Maryland	1:00
3-27	Tue.	Gardner-Webb	7:15
3-28	Wed.	Western Carolina	7:15
3-30	Fri.	* Miami (FL)	7:15
3-31	Sat.	* Miami (FL)	7:00
4-1	Sun.	* Miami (FL)	1:00
4-3	Tue.	at Georgia	7:00
4-4	Wed.	Georgia	7:15
4-6	Fri.	* at Virginia Tech	7:15
4-7	Sat.	* at Virginia Tech	2:00
4-8	Sun.	* at Virginia Tech	1:00
4-11	Wed.	South Carolina	7:15
4-13	Fri.	* at Wake Forest	3:00
4-14	Sat.	* at Wake Forest	1:00
4-15	Sun.	* at Wake Forest	1:00
4-18	Wed.	at South Carolina	7:00
4-20	Fri.	* Virginia	7:15
4-21	Sat.	* Virginia	7:00
4-22	Sun.	* Virginia	1:00
4-24	Tue.	Elon	7:15
4-25	Wed.	Wofford	7:15
4-27	Fri.	* Georgia Tech	7:15
4-28	Sat.	* Georgia Tech	7:00
4-29	Sun.	* Georgia Tech	2:00
5-5	Sat.	* Boston College	7:15
5-6	Sun.	* Boston College	2:00
		* Boston College	6:00
5-9	Wed.	Furman	7:15
5-11	Fri.	* at Florida State	7:00
5-12	Sat.	* at Florida State	7:00
5-13	Sun.	* at Florida State	1:00
5-15	Tue.	College of Charleston	7:15
5-17	Thu.	* at N.C. State	7:00
5-18	Fri.	* at N.C. State	7:00
5-19	Sat.	* at N.C. State	1:00

* - ACC regular-season game; Note: Home games in **bold**; all times are PM and Eastern.

Leggett is also excited about the prospects of freshman outfielders Addison Johnson and Alex Lee.

Chalk will roam centerfield for the third straight year. The speedster has an excellent arm and is one of the best bunters in school history. He had 21 sacrifice bunts in 2006, easily eclipsing the previous school record. Chalk also hit .353 with 18 steals and 41 walks against only 21 strikeouts, and had a .467 on-base percentage to set the table for the heart of Clemson's lineup. He enters 2007 on an active 16-game hitting streak.

Brian Hennessy is an Associate Sports Information Director in his sixth year at that position at Clemson. He previously worked as a student and graduate assistant at Clemson for six years.

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By Philip Sikes

The Clemson rowing program appears ready to take it to the next level. Reasons abound for the optimism held by Head Coach Susie Lueck, who is in her ninth year running the Tiger program. The team has 28 returning letterwinners, the coaching staff is on the same page, the facilities are receiving an upgrade, and the fall season has shown that Clemson has speed in its top boats.

"Chemistry is much better this year," Lueck admitted. "The student-athletes are enjoying what they're doing, which plays a big part. The fall season has gone really well. We showed at the Head of the Hooch (November 4) that we have tremendous depth in this program. The competition to earn each seat is going to take the team higher than we've ever been before."

Lueck's reference to the highly-regarded Head of the Hooch Regatta, which took place a few weeks ago on the Tennessee River, was supported by outstanding results produced by the team. The Tigers' top-two 4+ boats finished fourth and fifth, respectively, in a large field, just 0.3 seconds apart. The Tigers also performed well at the Head of the Charles in Boston, MA on October 22.

In the championship 8+, Clemson's first varsity boat was 21st and right on the nose of several nationally-prominent programs. The last race of the fall season was the Rivanna Romp, where Clemson's novice 8+ boat was second in a strong field, showing the promising youth that exists on the current team.

Four seniors have held down spots in the varsity 8+ during the fall season and are expected to maintain their level of performance heading into the spring. First and foremost among the senior class is returning All-American Sarah Cooper. She was cited as first-team all-region by the Collegiate Rowing Coaches Association, and she was an All-ACC performer during the 2006 season. Cooper has held the #8 seat with the varsity 8+ the entire fall season.

Fellow seniors who have rowed with the Tigers' top boat this fall include Barbi Breimann, Brittney Gamble, and Kristen Weinacker. All are former letterwinners, and Weinacker is returning after a red-shirt season. Some of the other top performers who have made their way into the varsity 8+ this fall and should be significant contributors in the spring are Ford Heiner, Jessica Leidecker, Lindsay Sheppard, and Suzanne Van Fleet.

The juniors in the top boat were members of an outstanding novice 8+ crew that won an ACC title in 2005. Lueck also cited the sophomore class that participated in the novice 8+ races a year ago, and believes that group's experience should only help push the upperclassmen to elevate their performance level in practice.

Sophomores who have rowed with the second varsity 8+ during the fall season include Meg Bendik, Caroline Borgan, Melanie McDaniel, Caitlin O'Neill, and Nicole Rau. Those five girls have teamed with Blair Brendle, Lizzy Jennings, and Kathryn Wait, and have shown good boat speed during the fall aerobic season.

"It is exciting to see how much the sophomore class has improved this fall," Lueck said. "They will continue to make those kinds of improvements this winter. By spring, they will be really competitive and knocking on the door of the varsity 8+. They keep pushing the varsity 8+ to work harder."

Lueck's top returning coxswains are Abbey Fernandez, who has two years of experience in various boats, and Elyse Roenick, the varsity 8+ coxswain in the fall.

"The team has had a great attitude and work ethic in the fall," Lueck noted.

She also saw the fatigue that took its toll on the team after a demanding fall schedule that included rowing practice twice per day, as well as 5000m races and academic demands.

"We've taken a lot of strokes this fall, so it will be good for the team to get some rest to get ready for the spring season," she said.

The coaching staff has seen several changes since the 2006 spring season. Kelly Lynch, longtime assistant coach under Lueck, left the program to pursue other interests. Shaw Tilton, former head coach at Tulsa, was hired as an assistant coach who also recruits for the Tiger program.

"Shaw has been an outstanding addition," Lueck explained of Tilton. "He's incredibly talented and the kids love him. He's really knowledgeable about the sport."

Becca Brinker, in her second year with the program, takes over as the novice coach. Her groups have had positive races in the fall season. She is also actively involved with recruiting. Her sister Sarah is in her second year as the program's director of operations.

2006–07 Schedule

Date	Regatta/Opponent	Site
Mar. 3	**Eastern Michigan**	**Clemson, SC**
Mar. 17	**Clemson Challenge**	**Clemson, SC**
Mar. 24	**Cornell**	**Clemson, SC**
Mar. 31,Apr. 1	San Diego Crew Classic	San Diego, CA
Apr. 7	George Washington Invitational	Washington, D.C.
Apr. 21	**ACC Championships**	**Clemson, SC**
May 12,13	NCAA South Regionals	Oak Ridge, TN

Note: Regattas at Clemson in **bold**.

The Tigers will also have the benefit of an upgrade in facilities. Construction on a 10,000-square-foot boathouse began in the spring and is slated to be completed later this year or in early 2007. The facility will house an expanded locker room, athletic training room, expanded meeting space, and workout additions, and in the long term, coaches offices.

The spring season will provide quite a challenge for the Clemson rowing team. The Tigers get the slate underway in March by playing host to Eastern Michigan and Cornell in separate head-to-head regattas. The Tigers also welcome Indiana, Marist, and Purdue to town again this season for the Clemson Challenge.

The Tigers did not opt to go to the Stanford Invitational this season, because that highly-reputable regatta falls just one week prior to the ACC Championships. Instead, Clemson will participate in the San Diego Crew Classic on March 31 through April 1. Some of the top teams from the West Coast will compete in that event.

Two weeks before the conference regatta, the Tigers will travel to Washington, D.C. for the George Washington Invitational for three days of head-to-head racing with selected schools. On April 21, Clemson will host the ACC Championships for the third straight spring. The event was slated to be in Miami, FL, but unforeseen circumstances brought the conference racing back to Clemson. The Tigers will again row at regionals in Oak Ridge, TN, the same venue that will play host to the NCAA Championships in May.

"Because nationals are in Oak Ridge this season, there is a bigger desire for the women to compete there," Lueck explained. "A lot of the girls are obviously familiar with that race course because of regional competition in the past."

Clemson has not advanced to the NCAA Championships in its short rowing history. However, the Tigers have a renewed enthusiasm for 2007, which has been reflected in the team's strong results during the fall. Should Lueck's crews continue their improvement into the spring, their chances of making it to Oak Ridge will be greater than ever before.

The Clemson rowing squad, led by Head Coach Susie Lueck, hopes to translate its strong fall season into a successful spring in 2007.

Philip Sikes is an Assistant Sports Information Director in his third year at that position at Clemson. He previously worked as a graduate assistant at Clemson for two years.

The Last Word

2006 Senior Class

By Tim Bourret

Today is the final regular-season game and the final home game of the 2006 season.

Whenever Clemson plays South Carolina, it is a special occasion, but today will be twice as special for 20 Tiger senior football players because it is their final home game. For 16 of the 20, it has been a five-year journey, as those players red-shirted the 2002 season. For that group, including defensive end Gaines Adams, quarterback Will Proctor, and offensive linemen Nathan Bennett and Dustin Fry, it will be their 33rd "run down the Hill."

This will be a day of reflection for those seniors. They will not (and should not) leave the field abruptly. They will go to the Tiger Paw at midfield while the band plays the alma mater. It is a day they should take in all the color and pageantry of a Clemson football Saturday. As they leave the field, they will take one last look at the Hill, the stadium, the Ring of Honor, and that new WestZone that did not exist when their careers began.

This senior class has a lot to be proud of because they have done much to enhance Clemson's football heritage. Entering today's game with South Carolina, the group has a four-year record of 31-16. The 66.0-percent winning mark associated with that record is the best by any Tiger senior class since Brentson Buckner's senior class had a 71.3 winning percentage (33-13-1) between 1990-93.

A victory today would give the group 32 wins, tied for the most by a senior class since 1993. The 2003 Clemson seniors posted a 32-18 record for their four seasons combined. Obviously, a win today and a bowl win would surpass that 2003 total.

This group has brought consistency to the program. Clemson has already won eight games this year, and combined with the eight wins in 2005, this is the first time since the 1986-91 era that the Tigers have won at least eight games in consecutive seasons. Believe it or not, Clemson and Georgia Tech are the only two ACC schools who have not had a losing season in ACC play over the last four years.

A bowl victory this year would give the group a 3-0 record in bowl games. No Clemson class has won three bowl games since the seniors of 1991, and it has a chance to be the first class since 1990 to go undefeated in bowl games.

This senior group has already been a part of two teams that have finished the season in the top 25 of both polls, and a third top-25 finish would also be a first for a Tiger class since the 1993 seniors.

2006 Senior Class

#	Player	Pos.	Hometown
93	* Gaines Adams	DE	Greenwood, SC
63	* Nathan Bennett	OG	Dallas, GA
95	* Brandon Cannon	DE	Lithonia, GA
53	Chris Carey	OG	Scott Depot, WV
30	* Cole Chason	P	Roswell, GA
44	* Donnell Clark	DT	Griffin, GA
3	* Duane Coleman	CB	Naples, FL
7	Jad Dean	PK	Greenwood, SC
73	* Tim DeBeer	OT	Atlanta, GA
75	Marion Dukes	OT	Pickens, SC
62	* Dustin Fry	C	Summerville, SC
72	* Roman Fry	OL	Ironton, OH
15	Sergio Gilliam	CB	Greer, SC
89	* Thomas Hunter	TE	Marion, SC
37	* Reggie Merriweather	RB	North Augusta, SC
14	* Will Proctor	QB	Winter Park, FL
59	* Nic Riddle	LS	Ladson, SC
87	* Brent Smith	FB	Moncks Corner, SC
2	* Chansi Stuckey	WR	Warner Robins, GA
40	* Anthony Waters	LB	Lake View, SC

* - fifth-year senior

When it comes to performance in rivalry games, this class is among the best in school history. With the 27-20 last-second victory at #9 Florida State in September, it became the first class in ACC history to defeat the Seminoles three times. It already has a 3-0 record against South Carolina, and it would love to equal the accomplishment of its immediate predecessors with a fourth straight win over Clemson's in-state rival.

This class stands out when it comes to wins over ranked opponents. The class has nine wins over top-25 teams in its four seasons, just one shy of the Tiger record for top-25 wins in a four-year period. The seniors of 1989, 1990, and 1991 all had 10 top-25 wins.

However, this group has eight top-20 wins and four top-10 wins. This class is tied for the school record in each category. The seniors of 1983 and 1989 had eight top-20 wins, and the seniors of 1983 and 2004 had four top-10 wins.

How impressive is four wins over top-10 teams in a four-year period? Danny Ford's last six senior classes in the 1980s, when Clemson had the fifth-best record in the nation, never had more than one.

Those top-10 wins stand out over the four years. It started late in the 2003 season when Clemson defeated #3 Florida State 26-10 on a Saturday night in Death Valley. That victory came on the heels of a 45-17 loss at Wake Forest.

There were many lessons learned by the 2006 seniors from the 2003 seniors the week leading up to that Florida State game. They understood the importance of never giving up even when the rest of the world was apparently crashing down on them.

Clemson finished the 2003 season with a 63-17 win at South Carolina and a 27-14 win in the Peach Bowl over #6 Tennessee, the highest-ranked team Clemson has defeated in a bowl game since the 1981 National Championship season.

This senior class also gave us a top-10 win at Miami (FL) in 2004, an overtime victory that rekindled memories of the national championship victory in the same Orange Bowl. There were also wins over top-20 teams from Florida State and South Carolina that year, two of the nine wins in the last four years over coaches who have won the national title in their respective careers.

This group has actually won each of its last four games against top-20 teams. It is the first time in 17 years that Clemson has won four straight over top-20 teams. The recent run of top-20 wins includes the aforementioned win at #9 Florida State this year, Clemson's first win in Tallahassee since 1989.

The victory over #13 Georgia Tech on October 21 was a dominant performance against a team that has not lost another ACC game this year. The senior-led offensive line provided holes for youthful backs James Davis and C.J. Spiller, leading to the first game in school history in which the Tigers had a 200-yard rusher and a 100-yard rusher.

That day will be remembered for a long time, as it was the first-ever appearance on campus by **ESPN** College GameDay. When GameDay comes to your city, it signifies to the nation that you are a relevant program on a national scale. This senior class has brought Clemson to that level.

The underclassmen on this 2006 Tiger team hopefully have learned many lessons of a strong work ethic, be it on the field or in film study, leadership, and academic excellence. Three members of the current seniors already have their degrees and 10 will join them in December.

The underclassmen should have also learned what it is to be a good teammate. In August, the story of Ray Ray McElrathbey and his custody of his 11-year-old brother Fahmarr received national headlines. A big part of the story was the aid the brothers received from the rest of the team.

Prior to the NCAA's ruling allowing staff members and their immediate families to provide transportation for Fahmarr to school, teammates, most of them seniors, provided the transportation. One morning it would be Adams, another day it would be Chansi Stuckey, and another day it would be Anthony Waters who would arrive at an early hour at his apartment to take Fahmarr to school. Other seniors provided help financially or in other everyday tasks, as the older McElrathbey juggled the responsibilities of being a parent and a student-athlete.

These were all seniors helping a freshman.

The on-the-field accomplishments of this senior class are considerable. But years from now when I reflect on this group, it will be the example they set through their aid for a freshman teammate that I will remember the most.

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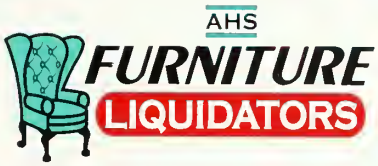

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